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## Local Matters.

Shortage of School Funds.

The Newport school department is in a bad way for lack of funds and it is no fault of the school authorities. The State finds that it will be unable to make the customary payments for State ald of public schools at the usual time and as the city had been figuring on receiving this money to finish out the halance of the school year it means a rather had situation. However, New-port is by no means alone in this fix, as the other cities and towns of the State are similarly situated. The result comes from appropriations by the General Assembly in excess of the amount of moncy available from revenues.

At the meeting of the board of aldermen on Thursday evening it was found that the teachers' payrolls could not be approved for the full amount because of lack of funds. They were therefore approved for fifty per cent, and the city treasurer was directed to pay the balance if the money should be received from the State in time. This makes it very bad for the teachers, especially at the Christmas season, but there seems to be no remedy available. Had it been known a few weeks ago that the State could not pay the money at this time the representative council could have made appropriations sufficient to carry the schools to the balance of the year. The appropriation is just about \$5000 short and there is a little more than this amount now due from the State.

Next Thursday will be Christmas Day and will be observed as a general holiday in Newport. Although it has not seemed really like Christmas weather up to date, there has been considerable early shopping done and the stores have all reported a fairly good business. A little snow and wintry weather for the next few days would probably increase the bustle of the last hour before the great day and would make it seem more like typical Christ-

mas weather. Elaborate preparations' have been made for Christmas music in the various churches, special programmes having been prepared by the choirmasters. The Sunday schools will have their Christmas trees, some beginning as early as Christmas night.

The fourth anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. William B. Reed was observed at Mt. Olivet Baptist Church on Wednesday evening. Rev. S. W. Smith of Providence presided, and Rev. T. J. King of Yonkers, N. Y., preached the anniversary sermon. A high tribute to the personality and the work of Mr. Reed was paid by all speakers, including several members of his church.

Mr Frederic D. Woodruff, who died at Rocky Mount, N. C., this week, married a Newport woman, Miss Mary Elizbeth Wood, who died in 1904 He had been an invalid for many years, and it was the strain of caring for him that brought on the fatal illness of his wife.

Mr. and Mrs. William Shep'er have gone to Washington to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Charles M Barker.

Mrs. Joseph H Willard and her two daughters will soon sail for Europe to apend several weeks.

#### Our Venerable Priend.

One of Newport's venerable men and highly respected citizens has been celebrating the close of the year by posing before the camera, and we show the result herewith. Most Newporters will recognize the picture immediately as that of Mr. Ars Hildreth, now in his ninety-fourth year, but still halo and hearty and possessed of more mental equipment than most callow youths



ARA HILDRETH, One of Newport's Oldest Citizens.

of sixty. He isn't quite as strong as is always welcome.

Mr. Hildreth was born on August 30, 1820, in the town of Chesterfield, N. H. - In 1837 he removed to Taunton and engaged in the coasting trade for about four years. He then came to Newport where he has made his home for most of the time since then. The late James Tuell was then engaged in the trade of block making, and the young Ara Hildreth entered his employ "to learn his had a good teacher, with the result that he eventually became an expert. In these days there was a brisk demand for hand-made blocks, and the little establishment was kept very busy for the fame of their product extended far and wide. After the death of Mr. Tuell, Mr. Hildreth carried on the husiness and spent many years in the shop on Bowen's wharf. A few years ago his advancing years made it necessary for him to retire and the shop was closed

All his life Mr. Hildreth has been a firm believer in the principles of Masonry. He is the oldest Mason in Newport, having been made Master Mason in St. John's Lodge, No. 1, on March 17th, 1842. In December, 1860, he was elected Worshipful Master of St. John's Lodge, and served for two years He was secretary of the Lodge for thirty-six years, having been first elected in December, 1862. He also served for four years as Junio. Warden of the Grand Lodge of Manons of the State. He has served as High Priest of Newport Chapter, No. 2, R. A. M., and for thirty-two years was its secretary. He was also for a time Grand Scribe of the Grand Chapter of Rhode Island, R. A. M. He has been Thrice Illustrious Master of DeBlois Council, No. 5, R. & S M., and for twenty-five years was Recorder of the Council. He is the only honorary member of Washington Commandery, No. 4, K. T., and has also been active in Scottish Rite Masonry.

Mr. Hildreth is the oldest member of the First Baptist Church and is a sincere Christian. He has long been an active worker in the cause of temperance and as recently as this Fall he went to Providence to attend a big temperance meeting there.

And above everything, Mr. Hildreth is a "mighty good fellow," whom it is a pleasure to meet and who is cordially welcomed wherever he goes. His many friends hope that he will live to see many another Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Colonel Frank P. King and most of the other typhoid patients are able to be out on the streets daily. There are now but three members of the company still in the Hospital, Surgeon C. F. Barker, Captain William E. Braley, and Sergeant Major William P. Dawley. All hope to be at home for Christmas.

Rear Admiral Austin M. Knight is now president of the Naval War College, as well as being commandant of the Narragansett Bay Naval Station. Captain William L. Rodgers, whom he relieved on Monday as president of the College, has gone to New York to take command of the battleship Delaware. fall in his barn.

Death Claims, Captain Cotton.

Distinguished Newporter Passed Away Peacefully and the Community Mouras bla Less.

Captain Joseph Potter Cotton passed away at his home on Park street last Saturday morning, death coming without an indication of suffering. tired as usual Friday night, but never

Captain Cotton had been about the city as usual on Priday, attending to his many duties. He had appeared in his ordinary health and had laid out a busy programme of work for Saturday. He retired in apparently good health and there was not the slightest indication of the impending end. When his housekeeper called him Saturday morning there was no response, and an invostigation showed that he had passed away quietly and peacefully. The announcement of his death came as a great shock to the community where he was deeply loved. To those who were closely associated with him and with whom he had conversed but a few hours before his death, the news came as a particularly severe blow. He had always been in rugged health, a tireless worker, and few suspected that he had reached the rather advanced age of seventy-six years. Captain Cotton was a native of the

State of Maine, which has furnished Newport with a number of her leading citizens. He was born in the town of Bowdolnham on May 8, 1837, and received his education in the schools of the neighborhood. Later he taught and studied at the same time, working hard to accure the education that he crave !. When the war broke out he was living he used to be and his eyes don't allow ! In Pennsylvania, and was active in formhim to do much reading, but he comes ing an organization of volunteers, later down street nearly every day, and serving as Captain in a Pennsylvania walks all over town. Hardly a day regiment during the later years of the passes but that he drops into the MEH- war. After the close of the war, he cuny Office and chats for a few min- i was employed in the engineering deutes before resuming his travels. He partment of a new railroad being built through Wisconsin, and later became associated with the late General G. K. Warren of the United States Engineer Department who was then engaged in river work in the Middle West. General Warren became impressed with the ability of the young engineer to whom he had given employment, and when he was ordered East to take charge of the Newport office of the Engineer Department Captain Cotton came with him. trade. He was an apt student and he . He had since made his home in this city, continuing for a time in the government service, but in 1883 he engaged in private work of an engineering nature. His reputation was high, both for ability and integrity, and there are many works around this vicinity which

may be considered his monuments. In addition to the many duties of his professional life, Captain Cotton found community. He had filled a number of city offices, having been a member of the school committee, overseer of the poor, and street commissioner, and having been a member of the representative council since it was created. He took an active interest in charitable work, having been one of the founders of the Charity Organization Society, and also of the Building & Loan Association, having been the only president of the latter organization. He had served as a trustee of the Newport Hospital and was a member of many other organizations of a quasi public character. He was an active member of Lawton-Warren Post, and had keld a num-

ber of offices in the old Warren Post. Mrs. Cotton died some five years ago, her death occurring under circumstances exactly similar to those that marked the death of her husband. He is survived by two sons, Dr. Frederick J. Cotton, a leading physician and surgeon of Boston, and Mr. Joseph P. Cotton, Jr., who is engaged in the practice of law in New York in partnership with ex-Senator Spooner of Wisconsin. Both sons were at once notified of the death of their father and hastened to Newport immediately.

Funeral services were held at the United Congregational Church on Tuasday and were attended by a gathering that practically filled that large church. Men and women from all walks in life were present, testifying to the high cateem in which Captain Cotton was held by the entire community. There was a beautiful display of floral tributes.

Rev. Gustavus A. Hulbert, paster of the church, conducted the service, and at the conclusion the Grand Army ritual was conducted by the officers of Lawton-Warren Post, G. A R. The bearera were Judge Darius Baker and Measrs, T. T. Pitman, William P. Butfum, Jeremiah K. Sullivan, Roland J. Easton and Jere I. Greene. The interment was in the Island cometery.

Chief Kirwin went to New Bedford on Saturday last to see a test of an automobile pump, but the machine met with an a eldent and went out of commission before the Newporters arrivel; on the scene.

Mr Benjamin T. Gladding is suffering from a broken rib as the result of a

New Gun and Game Association,

About 100 men, interested in gunning in Newport County, met in MERCURY Hall on Tuesday evening, to form a temporary organization of the Newport County Gun & Game Association. A preliminary meeting had been held a short time before at which a committee had been appointed to present a consti-This committee tution and bylaws. made its report and its recommenda-



DR. HORACE P. BECK, Founder of Gun and Game Association. tions were adopted with slight amend-

Dr. Horace P Beck, who has been prominent in the movement to get the gunners of the County together, prosided at the meeting as Acting Prosi-dent, and Col. Harold A. Peckham is the acting secretary. Mr. S. S. Thompson was chosen acting treasurer, all these officers to serve until the annual meeting next month when permanent officers will be elected. The committee that drew up the constitution consists of Dr. Beck. Col. Peckham, Edward S. Peckham, William T. Bowler, Samuel A. Hilton, Charles M. Hughes, Wilton S. Arnold, and Roy Beattle.

Dr. Beck explained the purpose of the organization and the meeting was a harmonious one. At the close of the meeting a number of those present enrolled as members and the new organination starts off in a promising man-

#### Board of Aldermen.

The regular weekly meeting of the board of aldermen on Thursday, evening was a rather busy one, as many matters came up for consideration at the end of time to respond to the calls from the the year. Bills and payrolls were approved, except of the school department, where there is a shortage on account of the failure of the State to pay its share. The school payrolls were approved for fifty per cent,

The eating house license of Lawton & Tierney on Prospect Hill street was revoked on recommendation of the Chief of Police who gave a detalled report of the conditions existing there. There was some talk about connecting Peck-There ham and Russell avenues, and a deed to Peckham avenue was referred to the city solicitor for his approval, with the understanding that there may be a further proposition to go before the council.

The board approved for presentation to the council a resolution presented by Alderman Hughes instructing the city solicitor to draw up an ordinance to prevent street car congestion on Franklin street. There will also be several other matters to go before the council at its first meeting.

#### Wedding Bells.

#### Northup - Borden.

Miss Myra May Borden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Borden, was united in marriage on Wednesday evening to Mr. Charles Herbert Northup, son of Captain and Mrs. William J. T. Northup, the ceremony being performed by Rev. William H. Bath in the chapel of the Thames Street M. E. Church. The bride wore a brown travelling suit, with hat to match, and carried a bouquet of white carnations. She was attended by her sister, Miss Edith Borden, and Mr. John C. Hass was the best man.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the residence of the bride's parents on Arnold avenue, the newly married couple leaving by the New York boat for their wedding trip. They will make their home on Livingston place.

There has been practically no clue to the robbers of the Century Store last week. The goods taken will be difficult to distinguish from many similar articles reported stolen in nearby citles within the past few weeks

Mr. William H Buntington is rapidly recovering from the effects of a minor operation which was performed at the Naval Hospital a short time ago.

#### Jury Disagrees in Murder Case.

The trial of Charles Bradley Smith, indicted by the grand jury on a charge of murder as the result of the death of Willie Engan at the Beach last Fourth of July, came to a close on Thursday, when the jury reported that it was absolutely unable to agree upon a verdict and was discharged. This means that the case will have to be tried all over again unless the State should drop it. which is hardly likely. This case has | game is Grant Chiptiin. been tried in Providence, with a jury made up of Providence County men, but it is possible that if a retrial is held it may be in this city. It is not likely to go to trial again for some months any-

The case was begun in Providence last week, having been transferred from Newport County on the ground that a fair trial could not be obtained here on account of public sentiment. Many Newporters have gone up to attend the trial us witnesses, and last Sajurday the jurors and the defendant were brought to Newport to look over the i Beach where the shooting occurred. The State called many witnesses to testify to the facts of the shooting of the Eagan boy. For the defense, Smith claimed that he thought the revolver was loaded with blank cartridges; that he was first assaulted by the sallors and was forced to run; and that when he fired the revolver he still believed that the cartridges were blanks. He did not know that the Eagan boy had been killed until after he was taken to the Police Station.

J. L. Mitchellof Providence and Clark Burdick of Newport were the uttorneys for Smith. .

#### Superior Court.

The business of the December session of the Superior Court has been completed this week, final adjournment being taken on Friday. There have been several jury trials this week, and considerable business has been disposed

On Monday John P. Fritz was given a verdict for postession in his case against John J. Donovan, by order of the Judge. On Tuesday the case of John P. Fritz vs. Ainsworth B. Cochrane, to recover on book account, was tried and the jury found for the plaintiff for \$31.70. There was a hearing in George D. Lewis vs. Henry S. Douglas, administrator, and the claim will be rejected. Christina E. Thomas was granted a divorce from William T. Thomas.

The case of Ann S. Pendlebury et al. va. laane Brown, treas rer, occupied considerable time before a jury. This was to recover for damago to plaintiff's land by turning water onto it by the town. It was the last jury trial of the Bession. The verdict was returned on Friday for \$300 for plaintiff.

The residents of Bull street and vicinity have had much of interest to take their attention for the last few days. The progress of the old Burroughs house, which was sold at suction by the Second Baptist Church to be moved off the lot, has been very slow. It has been on its way to its new location on Sherman street and indications were that it would reach there by Friday night. When the purchaser bld on the house, he expected to obtain permission to move it across the lands cleared by the Woover fire onto Sherman street but this was denied so up Bull street it had to go. It was too large for some of the corners, so it had to be trimmed considerably when tight; places were renched. It has been a nerve-racking job for the owner as well as for the contractors.

Mr. Maurice Z Lester died at his home on Tyler street on Tuesday, following an accident A few days before his death he was struck by a plank while at work in the Old Colony shops, and he never recovered. He was a cabinct maker by trade, and was well known'throughout the city lie was a member of St John's Lodge of Masons and of Coronet Council, Royal Arcanum. Funeral services were held on Friday, and the Masonic ritual was conducted by the officers of St. John's Lodge

Mrs. E. S. Raynor who died at her Newport residence, "The Gables," this week, was the mother of Mrs. William S. Wells who spends a large portion of the year at her Newport residence, "Chetwode." Mrs. Raynor was well advanced in years and her death was not unexpected.

Mrs Joshua B Bacheller died at her home on Elliott place on Tuesday after a considerable illness. Besides her husband she is survived by one son, Mr Dudley P. Bacheller, and to daughters, Mrs. Fre terick A. Clarke and Miss Nellie II Bacheller.

Mr. Ray Payne, manager of the Spring House at Block Island, was united in marriage on Tuesday to Miss Ethel May Whittle, of Mount Vernon,

#### St. John's Lodge Blects.

Bt. John's Lodge, No. 1, F. & A. M., held its one hundred and sixty-fifth annual communication on Monday evening, when officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year. District Deputy Grand Master Herbert A. Rice of Pawtucket presided over the election and installed the officers, assisted by W. William B Sott is Minter of Curem miss and W . tobert & Burlin-



HERBERT A. RICE, D. D. G. M., Installing Officer for St. John's Lodge.

The new officers of the Lodge are as: follówa:

Worshipful Master - Charles E. Bardsley Senior Warden - Karl Bostel, Senior Warden—Karl Bostel,
Junior Warden—John H. Brierley.
Treasurer—George C. Lawton,
Secretary. George Melville
Senior Deacon William E. Braley.
Junior Deacon - Frederick J. Bullock.
Senior Staward—J. Irving ShepleyJunior Staward—J. Irving ShepleyJunior Staward—Herbart W. Smith.
Marshal—Chester L. Wyman.
Sentine Henry A. Curtls
Musical Director—Elward P. Lake:
Tyler Allen C. Griffith.
Member of corporation, for three
years—Robert W. Curry.
Member of corporation, for two
years William B. Scott

Election of Officers.

#### Clan MacLeod, No. 163, Order of Scottish Clans,

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Part Chief-Bugh S. Welkle.
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Vice Regent.—Well J/Mcoun.
Orntor—Herbert Staale.
Secrelary - Andrew K. McMahon.
Collector - John M. Paylor.
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Market.—Albert K. Honnen.
Guide-U. Brant U. Jawett.
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Warden.—Ira W. Wilbor, Jr.
Sentra.—Samuel B. Hirlag.
Trustee, for turce years - Edwin H. Tillay.
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Alternates—J. Fred Wagner, G. Homer-Bweel.
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Trander William II. Home.
Guide-John Robinson, Jr.
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Malbone Lodge, No. 93, New England Order al Protection

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Treasurer—Mrs. Charles S. Goddard.
Cha Hain—Mrs. Aroold H. James.
Guide—E. R. Stearyon.
Guardian—A. H. Barker.
Seolinel—E. M. King.
Trustee for Three Years—Hudley E. Camphatt

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Overseer - B. D. Higgins.
Lectorer—Miss Hope Higgins.
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Assistant Riemand - E. Veckbam.
Assistant Riemand - E. W. Teff.
Chaptein—George Howland.
Treadurer—Verson Head.
Secretary—Miss O. E. Clarke.
Gate Keeper—John F. Weeden.

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Fomone-Miss Avery Howland.
Flora-Miss Heal.
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et Mrs. Untrie Cintag.

Rev. Stanley C. Hughes is on the high road to recovery, following his sulden operation for appealicits at the Newport Hospital List week. He is able to be up and about his room.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter D. Marsin have N Y, the ceremony being performed returned from New York and wid probat the home of the bride.

## The Marshal

Mary Raymond Shipman Andrews Author of The Perfect Tribute The Better Treasure, etc.

Manhotions by ELLSWORTH YOUNG

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The Promise.

"Mon Dioc!" said the general, It was six years later. At the new chateau not a blade of grass seemed changed. The general stood in the midst of close-cropped millions of blades of grass as he stopped short on the sloping lawn which led down to the white stone stops which led to the sunken garden. Alixe, in her gidflug babit, with a feather in her hat, and gauntleted gloves on her hands, was so lovely as to be startling. She booked at the ground, half shy, half laughing, and best the grass with her riding-whip. Francols was leaning toward her and talking, and the general, coming slowly down the lawn, Kelt a flood of pride rise in him as he ooked at this successful picture of a boy which he had done so much to sether, and Francols appeared most men do, at his best in riding clothes. With that, as the general marched slowly down the velvet slope, unseen by them, regarding them his girl and his boy, this happy sister and brother—with that the brother lifted his sister's hand and, bending over it, kissed it slowly, in a manner unmisitaknoly unbrotherly.

"Mon Dleu!" gasped the general, and turned on his heel and marched back to his library.

All that afternoon he stayed shut

up in the library. At dinner he was

The next morning the general sent for Francols to come to him in the Jibrary. A letter had been brought a short time before and was lying open on the table by his hand.
"Francois," began the general in his

deep abrupt tones, "I am in trouble. Will you help me!"

"Yes, my Seigneur," said Francois

The general glared at him, frown-ing. "We shall see," he said again, and then—suddenly as a shot from a generation—"Does Alixe love you, Fran-

"I-I think not, my Seigneur," he mawered in a low voice.

"I am hurting you," the deep voice the world had heard that voice so full tonderness. "I am hurting my son. But listen, Francois. It was the dear wish of Pletro's father—it has been my dearest wish for years—that Alixa and Pietro should one day be married. It is that which would be the crown of a friendship forged in the fires of battle-fields, tempered in the freezing starving snow fields of Blussia, finished—I hope never finished for all eternity."

Francois, his head bent, his eyes on the general's band which held his, an-eswered very quietly. "I see," he said. "You would not take her from Ple-Ara, who, I am sure, loves her?

Erancols looked up sharply, but the general did not notice. He spoke slowly. "I promised Pietro's father" the boy seemed to be out of breath-"to be Pietro's friend—always," he maid

The general smiled then and let the fingers go, and turned to the letter on the table before him. "Good!" he raid. "You are always what I wish, Francols," and it was quite evident that the load was off his mind.

CHAPTER XI.

With All My Soul.

The general swung around to the "Francois, this letter is about Crou." He tapped the rustling paper. Tiletro wants you to come to him as

Francois' large eyes litted to the general's face, inquiring, startled, childlike, "Pietro!" he said slowly.

"Yet you knew that Pietro was



"I Am Louis Bonaparte."

beart and soul in the plots of the Italian patriots?" "Yes."

"But you had not thought of going

to help him fight?"
"No, my selgneur. I had thought only of the fight for which I must be

ready here."
"This Italian business will be good practica," said the general as a man of today might speak of a tennis tour-nament. "And you and Pietro will be enchanted to be together again."

François smiled, and something in the smile wrong the general's heart. "Francois, for are act going to be Tatappy about little Alixe?"

Quickly Francols threw back, as if he had not heard the question: "My Seigneur, I will go to Pietro; it will the the best thing possible—action and

training and good du rierro to: comrado. My Seigneur, may I go to-morrow !"

"Tomorrow!" The general was startled now. "A thousand thunders, but you are a sudden lad! Yet it will be no harder to give you up tomorrow than it would be next month. Yes, to-morrow, then, let it be."

Francois stood up, alim, young, alert

and steady, yet somehow not as the boy who had come in to the general an hour before; more, perhaps, as a man who had been through a battle and come out very tired, with the noise of the fighting in his cars.

"I will go to the farm tonight, to my mother and my father. And this afternoon I will ride with Alixe, it you de not want me for the book, my Seigneur—and if she will go. May I. ask you not to tell Alixe of this—to leave it to me to tell her?"

"Yos," agreed the general doubtfully. "But you will be careful not to-upset her, Francols?" "I will be careful,"

"And-and you will do what you can to help Pietro, will you not, my

A quick contraction twisted Francols, sensitive month and was Rone. but this time the general saw. may trust me, my Belgneur," the boy said, and moved to the door; but the general called to him as his band touched the latch, Francole!

"Yes, my Heigneur." He faced about, steady and grave, and stood holding

"Francels, my son—I have not hurt lyou—very much! You do not love Allxe—deeply! Do you love her, Fran-cots!"

There was a shock of stillness in the old din library. Through the window where the children's shouts had come in ten years before to the marquis and the general-one heard now in the gulet the sudden staccate of a late cricket. The general, breathing anxiously, locked at Francols, Francols standing like a status. The gen-ieral repeated his question softly, breathlessly. "Do you love her, Fran-

With that the giest eyes blazed and the whole face of the boy lighted as He threw back his head.

"With all my soul," he said. "And iorever,"

A rushing mountain stream-white veiled in the falling, black-brown in the foam-flecked pools—tumbled splashed, brawled down the mountain: the mountain bung over, shadowy; banks of fern held the rampant brook in chains of green. Alixe and Francolse, riding slowly in the coolness of the road below, looked up and saw if all, familiar, beautiful, full of old as

"One misses Pietro," François said "He always wanted to ride past the "Fron du Gouverneur."

A Roman legend had given this name to the deep pool of the brook by the road; it was said that the cruel old governor had used it, two thousand years back, for drowning refractors peasants. Alixe gazed steadily at the dark murmuring water.
"Yes, one misses him. Is life like

that, do you suppose, Francois? One grows up with people, and they get to be as much a part of living as the air, or one's hands-and then, sud denly, one is told that they are going away. And that ends it. One must do without air, without hands

What a world, Francois!"
"We are not meant to like it too much, I believe, Alixe," said Francois suncily. "It is just an passant, this world, when you stop to consider. This is school, this life, I gather. My mother says it is not very importable." if one has a good seat in the school room or a bad; if one sits near one's playmates or is sent to another corner, so long as one is a good child and works hearlily at one's lessons it is only for a day—and then we go home, where all that is made right Not a bad idea of my mother a is it. Alixe?"

"Your mother is a wonderful won in," Alixe answered thoughtfully.
"She lives like that. She never let things trouble her, not even when your father lost everything. Did she, Fran-

"No," said Francols. "She is one of the few people who know what the ness for my seigneur's; I said that real things are and live in them. It I would be a friend to Pietro; I will." is hard to do that. I can not. I care so bitterly for what I want, "It is" Francois hesitated-"it is very hard for me to give up—what I want." He stumbled over the words; his roice shook so that Alixa shifted in the

saddie and looked at him inquiringly.

"Alixa — dear" — then Francois
stopped. "You need not be afraid that I shall have more than Pietro," he began uncertainly. "For it is not going to be so. He will have what-what I would give in life for." Then he hurried ca. "I see how it is, he said gently, "and you are right to care so loyally for Pietro. He is worth it.
And you must never care less, Alixe -never forget him because he has gone away. He will come back." The toy spoke with effort, slowly, but Alixe was too much occupied with her own tumulinous thoughts to notice. "He will surely come back and--belong to you more than ever. He will come back distinguished and covered with honors, perhaps, and then-and then-Alixe, do you see the chestnut tree at the corner that turns to the chateau! It is a good bit of soft road we will race to that tree-shall we? And then I will tell you something."

The horses raced merrily; Alixe sat close to the saddle with the light swinging seat, the delicate hand on the bridle, which were part of her perfect horsemanship, and over and over & be watched her ride François said to bimself:

"I will give my happiness for the Seigneur's-I said it, and I will. I will to a friend to Pietro always-I said it, and I will."

Over and over the horses' flying feet pounded out that self-command, and at length the music of the moltiplying bool beats grew slower, and with tightening rela they drew in and stopped nader the big obestmat. Alice was bushing cabilerated bush

by the Deleamontes Road; it is only three miles farther, and it is early in the afternoon; there is nothing to

Francois spoke slowly. "I am afraid I must not, Alixe, I am going to the term tonight."

"To the farm!" Alixe looked at him in surprise. "But you were not to go over till tomorrow. My father and I will ride over with you. Have you forgottent"
"No," said Francols, "I have not for-

gotten—no, indeed. But I am going away lomorrow, Alixe."

"Going away?" Alixe turned sharply, and her deep blue glance searched his eyes. "What do you negan, Fran-



Alixo Turned Sharply.

cols?" And then, imperiously: "Don't tease me, Francois! I den't like it."
Francois steadled, hardened his face very carefully, and answered: "I am not teasing you, Alixe. I did not tell you before because-"! he stopped, for voice was going wrong- because I thought we would have our ride just as usual today. I only know about it myself this morning. I am going to

"Going--to Pietro!" Alixe was casp ing painfully. "Francois—It is a joke—toll me it is a poor joke. Quick!" she ordered. "I won't have you play with me, torture me!"

"It is not a joke." The boy's eyes were held by a superhuman effort on the buckle of the bridte-rela lying on his knee. "There was a letter from Pietro this morning. The seigneur wishes me to go. I wish to go. I go

"Going tomorrow!" The girl's voice was a wall. "You—taken away from mo!" Then in a flash: "I hate Pietro! He is cruel-he thinks only of him-self. He wants you-but I want you too. How can I live without you, Francols?" Then softly, hurrledly, while the world reeled about the boy, sitting statue-like in his saddle: "It is just as I said. You are as much a part of my life as the air I breathe and you and my father and Pletro say quite calmly, "The air is to be taken away—you must do without it." I can not. I will choke!" She pulled at her collar auddenly, as if the choking were a physical present fact.

No slightest motion, no shade of inflection missed Francols: still be sat motionless, his eyes on the little brass buckle, his lips set in a line, without a word, without a look toward her. And suddenly Alixe, with another quick blue glance from under her long lashes—Alixe, hurt, rockless, desperate, had struck her horse a sharp blow and she was in the road before him galloping away.

He let her go. He sat quiet a long time. As she turned in, atill galloping, at the high stone gateway of the chateau, his eyes came back again to the little shining buckle. It reemed the only thing tangible in a dreamuniverse of rapture and agony. Over and over he heard the words she had said—words which must mean—what? Had they meant it? Had he possibly been mistaken? No-the utter happiness which came with the memory the soft hurried voice must mean the truth-she cared for him, and then over and over and over he said, half aloud, through his set teeth:
"I said that I would give my happi-

CHAPTER XII.

The Mother of a Prince The walls of the palace at Ancona dropped to the sea; against them the waves danced. Out on the blue water lay a fleet of fishing boats, and the wind flapped torn sails, and the sunlight glanced on battered bulls and littered decks. The woman who by an open window of the palace pushed the black trailing of her gown from her, as if the somberness hurt her eyes; she laid her head against the window-frame and stared at the breeze-tossed waves and the fishing

fleet. "It may be our only hope of escape -those wretched boats," she said, half alond, and her blue eyes were full of sadness, almost of hopelessue

A sound caught her ear, and she lifted her head quickly. The door into the next room was partly open and some one moved there, that was all. She turned, the lines of her figure falling again into a melancholy pose.
"The doctor takes a long time," she spoke, and gazed out once more to the

There had been a spirited young girl years before who had romped in the gardene of Malmaison, who had led the laughter which echoed through those avenues of lime and plantaln whose sweetness and vivacity had drawn the figure of Napoleon himself into the vortex of gladness which was her atmosphere. Always brightness seemed to follow her through the enchantment of the place; always she seemed to move in galety. Today, on a March morning of 1530, this was she

The daughter of France she had been, the queen of Bolland, and now for years an exile. Here, ill, a fugitive in her nephew's palace at An-

joons, with the Austrians at the gate joina, with the austrians at the gave of the city, she walted in anxiety al-most more intense than she could bear the word of the doctor as to her son. The word of the doctor as to her son. Five days, before, at Forll, her older boy had died, and her; sore; heart attried with a sickening throb as she thought of this other—Louis—now her only child, lying in the room beyond in a high fever, ill with the disease with which his brother had fallen. A woman's soul might well; be over-crowded with such sorrow and auch fear, but there was more. Her two before with the Italian revolutionists, and had fought, and had distinguished themselves. And now that the revolution of the Remagna was a failure, that the Austrian army was advance ing victoriously, now that death had taken the older to safety, the younger -I guis-the invalid lad in the room beyond, was in imminent danger. He was excepted from the general amnesty; the natural ways of escape were closed, for the authorities of Tuscany and of Switzerland had let her know that the Prince would not be permitted in those territories. From Rome two of her son's uncles, Cardinal Fesch and King Jerome, and sent word that if he were taken by the Austrians he was lost. And at the moment when Hortenso had decided to carry her boy, on to Turkey by way of Corfu, an Austrian fleet appeared in the Adriatic.

In such a critical state were the affairs of the black-gowned woman who gazed from the palace windows to the sea. The doctor was with her son. The boy's condition seemed to her no better, but worse than the day before; she waited an official verdict

"Doctor," she stammered and stopped—she feared to ask.

"Your majesty," the old man said gravely, "I grieve to be the bearer of had news."

"He is worse, Doctor?" The words

came with a gash; she felt that she could not face more trouble.

"Yes, your Majesty, the fover has increased since yesterday. With his youth and strength we may hope if be is carefully nursed—but to move him would be madness."

Queen Hortenso struck her hands

together. "What can I do? What can do?" she demanded, and the doctor stood gravely regarding her, helpless, with all his devotion to the house of Bonsparte, to suggest a way out. "If he stays he will be taken—they will oxecute him. It he goes he will die on the way," she cried in an agony of indecision. "Doctor, tell one, think for me-how can I cave him?"

And the dector still atood ellent, suffering with the impotent desire to help her. "It—if only the Austrians might think that the Prince were gone," he stammered, and hated him elf for the futility of the words. But the Queen stood with a hand half lifted, arrested. Her blue eyes were alive with the crossing and weaving of swift ideas, and then with a catch of her breath she laughed at him like a pleased child. "Doctor, you are a very clever man," she said. "Together we are going to save the

The vivacity of the schoolgirl of Madame de Campan flashed for a mo-ment into her manner, warmed to sudden life by the joy of hope. The doctor waited, enchanted, bewildered, to hear his cleverness explained, but Hortense did always the unexpected thing.

She shook her finger at him.
"I'm not going to tell you," she said.
"At least not till I have to—not till tomorrow at all events. But all today, as you visit your patients you may think that you are saving the Prince from his enemies—and tomorrow you may know how. Goodby, Doctor," and puzzled and pleased, the physician Was gode.

"Send Fritz to me," the Queen or dered, and a moment later the young man who was for years the confidential servant of Hortense, who knew more of the history of her middle years, perhaps, than any other, stood before her, "Fritz, when does a packet sail, for Corfu!" she demanded.

Fritz Rickenbach considered it his business to know everything. night," your Majesty," he answered unbesitatingly.
You will see that the luggage of

Prince Louis is on board, and that a carriage is ready to take him there," she ordered

"But yes, your Majesty," Fritz still stood regarding her seriously. "It is a great happiness to me, your Majesty, that his Highness is well enough to whitz knew perfectly that there was

a complication somewhere, and he wanted to know what it was. His curiosity was patent, but his deep in-terest in the affairs of his people could not be an impertinence, and the Queen smiled at him.

"You shall know about it, Fritz." to said. "The Austrians are comshe said. "The Austrians are com-ing. The Prince can not be moved. ing. The Prince can not be moved. If they take him, it means death. They must believe that he is gone, and it is for you and me to make them believe it. Fritz. You must get a passport signed by all of the authoritiesthat is easy today; you must engage his place in the packet for tonight; you must tell the servants-tell every -that the Prince goes to Corfu and you must see that the proper luggage is on board. It will be known that I stay, but they will not molest an ill woman. Do you understand the

"But yes, your Majesty," Fritz answered with his face alight.

And so the packet salled for Corfu, and all day before the salling the servants of Hortense moved busily, between the palace and the boat, carrying luggage and making arrangements. And only one or two knew the secret that Prince Louis Bonaparte had not sailed in the packet but lay tossing with fever in a little room beyond his mother's, carried there for greater privacy by Fritz and the doctor.

Two days later, as the Queen sat quictly by hor boy's bedside, she heard that the vanguard of the Austrians had entered the city, and almost at once Fritz came to tell her that the palace in which she was slaying had

been chosen for the residence of the general commanding. The probability of this had not entered her mind; it seemed the last straw. The Austrian officer demanded the Queen's own chamber for his chief, but when the the lady who was in the name of the lady who was in the rooms which had not been given up, he bowed deep-ly and said not n word. It was another of that brotherhood acattered over Eu-rope—the friends of Hortense; it was an officer who had protected her years before at Dijon.

So for a week they lived side by side with their enemics and only a few feet lay between the Prince and capture, for his room was next that of the Austrian general, with but a double door between. It was a life of momentary anxiety, for the Queen feared each time the invalid spoke that they might recognize a man's voice; when he coughed she turned white. But at the end of the week Louis was at last well enough to go. He was to leave Ancona disguised as one of his mother's lackage, the young Marquis Zappi was to put on another livery, and over the frontier they were both to change and be the sons of Hortense traveling on the Englishman's passport, -

CHAPTER XIII.

The day before the excape, as the Prince, weak and ill yet, lay in bed, word was brought that a messenger of the marquis wished to see the

"Let me see him too, my mother," the slient, grave young man begged.
"It may be that I can help you. I wish to help,"

In a moment Fritz introduced a slight alert person whose delicate face was made remarkable by a pair of oyes large and brilliant and full of visionary shadows, yet alive with fire. One saw first those uncommon eyes and then the man. If they had not been entirely concerned with his mes they might have remarked that ho trembled as he looked at the Prince's face, that his voice shock as he answered the Queen's question.

"I have the unhappiness, your Majesty, to bring you had news," he said, speaking to her, but still gazing eagerly at the Prince. "The Marquis Zappi, my employer, is ill. He was taken suddenly last night, and today is much worse, and there is no chance that he can travel with your Majesty tomorrow."

The Queen threw out her hands with a gesture of hopelessness. "What can we do?" she exclaimed. "Am I to plan and plan and have diways an uncon-querable obstacle? Can I not save my boy? I might have known that overything accound too bright this morning, too good to be true. Yet it is not possible that after all



should"-she looked at her son; her should—same apringing back. "They shall not take you," and her eyes flashed defiance at . world of memies, and she went over and threw hor arm about his neck. "Louis, don't let your self be excited, dearest. They shall not take you. I can save you."

It was as if she put a spur to her brain; there was a moment's silence and the two lads watched her brows drawing together under the concentra-

laughed—a spontaneous laughter which seemed to flood her with youth fulness. She turned her blue glance swiftly on the newcomer, the slender in the employ of the Marquis Zappi,

"But, yes, your majesty. I am the secretary of Monsteur le Marquis." She paused a second, seemed to take stock of the young man, of his looks, his bearing, his accent.

"You are French. Have you a sympathy with the family of my son, with the Bonapartes!"

It was as if a door had been opened into a furnace, so the eyes blazed. "Your majesty, I would give my life for his highness," he said quietly. The impassive face of the young prince turned toward the speaker, and the half-shut heavy glance, which had the Napoleonic gift of holding a picture, rested on him attentively. Louis Bona parte seemed to remember something.

"What is your name, monsieur?" hasked, and it might have been noticed that his head lifted a little from the pillow as he waited for the answer.

"Francois Beaupre, sire." The roung man seemed to be out of breath. "Sire!" Louis Napoleon repeated, And then, "I have seen you before. Where was it? Not in Rome-not in Switzer ah!" His hand flow out, and with that Francols was on his knee by the bedside, and had kissed the out-stretched thin fingers, and the prince's other hand was on his shoulder traternally.

"The old chatcau of Vicques-my playfellow, Francols. I told you then I was going to remember, didn't I!" Louis Napoleon demanded, langhing boyishly. "Mother, he saved my life from the falling wall. Do you remember the story of my runaway trip?" And Hortense, smiling, delighted to

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see her sad faced boy so pleased and exhibitated, did remember, and was gracious and grateful to the young Frenchman. "It is a good omen to have you come to us today," she said with all the dazzling charm which she knew how to throw into a sentence. And then, sager with the headlong of a hunter for the game, she caught the thread which wore into the pattern of her scheming. "You would risk something to saye him, would you not? You will take the place of the marquis and travel with us, tomorrow, and help me carry away the prince to safety?"

The dark young face was pale. "Your majesty, it is a happiness I had not dared to hope for yet."
"Yet?" the prince demanded laconic-

ally. He saved words always, this lad, but he always said his thought.

The other boy's face turned to him, and he answered very simply, "But yes, your highness. I have known al-ways that I should have a part in your highness' fato."...
In the gray dawn of the next morn-

ing there was a slight stir through the palace, and out between the lines of drowsy Austrian sontinc's passed a procession of whose true character they were far from aware, else bistory had changed. The guard watched the departure; the sick lady-liortenselato queen of Holland, as they all knew more or icss clearly, drove away slowly in her traveling caleche, and on the box was a young man in the livery of a groom whom no one of the half-awake soldiers knew for Prince Louis Napoleon; in the middle of the second carriage sat another youth of two or three years younger who was, the queen's servants had been told, the Marquis Zappi. Their pass-ports were examined and they went through the gates of the city without awakening the least suspicion.

Not once in all their dramatic series of escapes and disguises were Hortense and her sons betrayed, but they had to fear the indiscretion of their friends more than the malignity of their enemies, and this part of Italy was full of friends high and low.

At length it was time for Prince

Louis and the sham marguis to drop their liveries and travel as the sone of the English woman for whom their passport was made out. The clothes which Beaupre was to wear had be longed to the young man dead at Forli
-Louis Bonaparte's brother-and as he presented himself dressed in them. he saw the painful flush which exept

upon the prince': face, "Your highness, I am sorry," he stammered. "It is grief to me." And then he threw himself impulsively on his knees by the side of Louis' chair. "My prince, I wear them with rever-ence," he said, and then, healtating, he ence," he said, and then, healtating, he added: "Perhaps I would seem less unworthy if your highness knew that, mere secretary as I am, I am yet more. I am noble. It is not simple Francois Beaupre whom you honor, but a man created chevaller by the sword of the

The dull eyes of the prince shot a glance between drooping lids. "What is it you mean, monsieur?" he demanded. But at the moment the queen entered the room, and the lads sprang to their feet. Her eyes caught the picture of the young Frenchman in his new dress at once; they opened wide and then filled with tears.

"Louis, Louisi" she cried, and laid

her hand on his arm. 'He looks like him; he looks like Napoleon!"

A deferential knock sounded at the door. Francois sprang to it, and the landlord stood in the opening, bowing elaborately—a soldlery old man with thick grizzled hair.

"A thousand pardons for disturbing miladi and the messicure," and miladi smiled forgiveness. "Might an old soldier of the emperor dare to say that one could not help knowing the em-peror's kinsmen?" He bowed low again to both boys allke, and again Hortcree smiled at him. It was com-forting to know that the two seemed brothers to the world in general, and she was so used to recognition and loyalty now that they appeared to be-long together. "Might an old soldler of the emperor dare to show milad! her majesty—and the highnesses, the sword which the emperor himself had touched, the sword which he, Jean Gredin, an old cuirassier of the guard, had carried in four battles? There was a little story of the sword, a story also of the wonderful goodness of the emperor, which miladi-her majesty— permitting, he would like to tell to her, as also to the highnesses."

And, her majesty permitting, and the boys pleased and interested, the old cavalryman brought the sword and drew it from its sheath and gave it to each of them to handle, and called on them to remark how it was as keen and bright as it had ever been at Ulm or Austerlitz. He cleared his throat, strongly, for the tale.

"Miladi-her majesty-permitting," he began, "it was on a day two days, after the great battle of Austerlitz. The country, as her majesty and the highnesses will remember, was in a most dangerous condition. Desperate bands—" Why was it the landlord bends-" Why was it the landlord stopped?

The party, caught by the fervor of his manner, stared at him, annoyed as the tale of the emperor, promising so wall, halted at its beginning. The man stood as if drawn to his tiptoes, every muscle tense, his head turned toward the doorway, listening.

And suddenly they were aware of a stir, a growing noise; there were gailoping horses; there was a lingle of

harness, and voices coming nearer. With a step backward the landlord fiashed a glance from under bushy brows down the corridor, through the open door at the end, which gave on the court of the inn.

"Mon died!" He faced the three, standing startled. He spoke fast and low. "Madame, it is a squad of Austrian soldiers; they are upon us. What can we do?" He hesitated only a sec-"Bleu-bleu-my horse-saddled ond. under the tree ronder—if one of the princes—if the prince—" He glanced uncertainly from one lad to the other.

But the game was out of his hands.



Quicker hands than his had caught the play. Francois Beaupre, the saber of the old cavalryman gleaming in his grasp, sprang to the doorway.

"It is monsieur there who is the prince," he explained rapidly to the landlord. "Hide him, take care of him

I will draw them away. When they
are gone, see that the prince and the queen escape. That is for you; you are responsible."

There was the rush of a flying figure down the hallway, and out Francols flashed across a broken line of a dozen dismounted riders, straight toward the landlord's horse held by a groom under the trees. There was a shock of startled silence as the impetuous apparition, saber gleaming at wrist, shot across the court. Then there was a hubbub of voices, and a mass of uniformed figures fell toward him as he threw himself on the horse. A sol-dier caught at the bridle. The naked aword twinkled and the man was un-der Bleu-bleu's feet. For a second there was a vortex of men and a fran-tic horse, and riding the storm a buoyant figure of fury, flashing a blade, with infinite swiffness, this way and that. Then horse and lad shot out from the living canves, streaked the background of trees a second and were rone, and the Austrian troopers scrambled into their saddles to follow.

Through sun spotted, breeze-tossed woods tore the chase; across a road and over a low fence, and still Fran-cols led, but the heavy borses gained. It was a hopeless hunt, for the landlord's mount was no match for the big cavalry horses, yet the rider's light weight and clever horsemanship counted, and it was fully four miles from the lnn when Blou bleu stumbled and fell at a ditch, and Francols pitched over his head. His lead was short by now, and they were on him in a moment, in a mass; he was selzed by a dozen burly Auntrians,

The leader took a sharp look at him as he stood panting, staring deflantly. "What is this?" the Austrian de-manded sternly, and wheeled to a trooper in a bunch. "Friedrich, thou knowest the cub of the Bonapartes, Is this lad he?"

And Friedrich lunged forward, gasp-ing, for he had run his horse hard, and shook his head. "No, my captain. I have never seen this one."

The boy looked from one to another of the threatening group, smiling, composed in spits of his quick breath-

him and shook his fist in his face. "You have fooled us, you young game-cock, have you? But wait. Do you know what we will do to you, you bantam of a Frenchman? Do you know how we will treat you for this, we Austrians?"

Color deepened in his cheeks, and Francois drew up his figure magnificently.

"You may do what you like, Mes-sieurs," he said galiy. "It is for you; my part is done. The prince is safe."

TO BE CONTINUED.

#### PEACE.

At last the civilized world, after nees of sore trial, realizes that our greatest of all blessings is world peace. Nations de not live only on what they themselves produce. Britain is already compelled to import her food supply. Sion that and she starves: hence ther gigantic naval forces. Other nations as they locrease in population will be compelled to do likewise. Many already import a large portion of their food supplies. Nations feed each other. Our duty is to prepare for this high destiny, and the path is obvious, since the increased exchange of food products is inevitable. I submit that the only measure required today for the maintenance of world peace is an agreement among three or four of the leading civilized powers (and as many more as desire to join-the more the better) pledged to co-operate against disturbers of world peace should such arise, which would scarce ly be possible in the face of the parkiership agreement suggested. Man was created to ascend and by a law of his being must march upward and onward toward perfection. Be of good cheer, soldiers of peace. All goes In this the hollest of all crusades there can be no such word as fall,-Andrew Carnegie.

SOLITUDE.

In the dark night, Thine eyes: In the still room, Tar voice; in solitude.

But when the daylight comes And dreams are flown It is the world surrounds me. Then-I am alone.
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To be a strong hand in the dark to pnother in the time of need, to be a cup of strength to a human soul in a crisis of weakness, is to know the glory of life. -Hugh Black.

Take the Sunday with you through the week and sweeten with it all the other days.—Long-

The world is so full of its sorrow and sin, It needs just a bit of the sunshine let in.

And so, though h's little enough I can do, I'll laugh and I'll smile till othera do tao!

-Martha B. Thomas.

Let me do good and never know To whom my life a blessing brings. -Canon Wilton.

All wish to be learned, but no one is willing to pay the price .-Javenal.

He's a lover and rover free. He musters among the clouds; He flutters above the sea; He rayages regions rare Where savages leap in glee: He sirips the forests bare In autumnal cestasy.

SONG OF THE WIND.

The wind has a mind of his own.

Of ocean, oir and sky. He joys at a young world's birth, He moans when the old ones die:

The wind is a child of earth,

He can woo a nodding rose to test Or trample an empire down. He's sceptered king of every-

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It is said that for the first time in many years Eastern rollroads have a surplus of idle aers. Another evidence of the workings of the Wilson tariff.

Next year is expected to be a great year in vachting circles and Newport must of necessity get much of it Sir Thomas Lipton deserves the thanks of our people in advance.

Land on Fifth avenue, New York, sold this week for one hundred seventy-five dollars a square foot. A house lot would cost some money in New York especially on Fifth avenue. The officials of the Canal Commis-

sion believe that if no further sildes take place, the first ship will go through the Panama canal in January instead of raome time next summer, as had been expected. . It has cost the government \$1,486,000 to run the Postal Savings banks, and

only \$537,932 has been received in interest from banks on accounts. That would not seem to be very profitable banking for the government. President Huerta's Committee on Ways and Means has about decided up-

on the confiscation of property belong-ing to foreigners. A more polite form of robbery would be an income tax. Perhaps Huerta does not propose to

follow U.S. in our bad examples any more than our good ones.

The MERCURY ALMANAC, to be issued 'this year on January 1st, will be the fin-est work of the kind ever issued in this .or any other city. The illustrations, which this year will be more numerous than ever, were all made especially for this edition, and cover many objects of interest in and around Newport.

The Democrats are still having hard swork with the currency hill in the Senate. Senator Weeks and other Republicans have served notice on the I Domocratic leaders that there will be no agreement to pass the bill unless provision for guarantee of bank deposits and use of "other lawful money" are climinated from the bill.

President Elliott of the New Haven rroad says that expenses must be re-duced. The number of employees must be cut down. Salaries will be reduced and all developments and Improverments, save those absolutely necessary for safety, will cease; there may be further loss to security holders and poorer service is likely, rather than bet-

It is not often that a larger number of the business people of Newport are found together than came out on Tuesaday noon to attend Capt. Cotton's funeral. The large number, of all demominations, Catholic as well as Protestant, showed with what esteem he was held by the people of Newport. His glace in this community will not be easily filled. He will be greatly missed.

U. S. Senator Root says that he is too old to be President. We doubt it. He is as yet in the full vigor of health, -and no man in the country is better fitted both by nature and training than the is. With Root for President there would be a man in the White House that had the welfare of the whole peo ple at heart and knew just what to do to make the country universally prosaperous.

The authorities at Washington now fear a great deficit in the Treasury un-Seas a big cut is made in public expendi-Tures Appropriations for this year are approximately \$1,095,000,000, while the Secretary of the Treasury estimated the amount required for the new fiscal year will exceed that amount by \$50,-000,000. We hear less about the billion dollar Congress than we did before the .Democrats came into power.

Reports from English quarters show that the lowering of the tariff in the United States has given a great boom to trade over there, especially in Leeds, Dundee and Belfast, All English manufacturers and exporters are looking for great improvement in the future The Wilson free trade bill pleases our English and German friends more than anything this country has done in many years. The foreign manufacturer is on the alert to take advantage of any slip we may make.

An the death of Captain Cotton, who passed away at his home on Saturday last, Newport loses one of the best beloved of her adopted sons. Ever ready to put his shoulder to the wheel to advance the progress of any worthy enterprise, he was the leading spirit and the hardest worker in many a movement for the benefit of the city as a whole or for the relief of the suffering and needy. In his younger days a soldier, trained to command and to obey; later an engineer of ability skilled in the acience of his chosen profession; possessed of a catholic taste in literature and the arts; having at the same time a mindable to grasp vast problems and a heart filled with sympathy for the poor and oppressed; his equipment was a valuable one to put at the service of the people of his beloved home. When he died, the community mourned; and yet many expressed their thankfulness for the quiet and peaceful manner in which his spirit slipped from the material to the higher world

Wilson'vs. Wilson.

An astonishing statement was made at Senttle recently by Secretary Wilson of the department of labor, as he sat side by side with Samuel Compers addressing the American Federation of Labor, Mr. Wilson said, according to the report in the New York Times, that if the big corporations did not accept trade unionism willingly, it would be forced on 'them." There is another Wilson at Washington. He is the head of the Administration. He has his own ideas on the labor question and we fear that his secretary of labor is not familiar with them. In his baccalaureate sermon at Princeton University, only four years ago, President Wilson said:
"Labor is standardized by the trades union, and this is the standard to which it is made to conform. No one is suf-fered to do more than the average workman can do. In some trades and handicrafts no one is suffered to do more than the least skillful of his fellows can do within the hours allotted to a day's labor and no one may work out of hours at all or volunteer anything beyond the minimum. I need not point out how economically disastrous such a regulation of labor is." It is a case of Wilson against Wilson. Which?

The New Cup Defender,

The Vanderbilt America's Cup defender which is to be built by the Horreshoffs at Bristol will be one of the finest over constructed in this country. It is to have three different kinds of plating metal on her hull, the chief of which is a new bronze of the appearance of nickel, and said to be of great tensile strength; as well as being free of corrosion from contact with other metals. The metal, named Monell, is found to be very strong. The ingots are to be rolled into plates at Taunton, Mass.

The bronze will be attached to the body of the yacht from the water line to the keel, while steel plates will cover the yacht's topsides. The sloop will have aluminum in its make-up. The yacht's deck will be formed of such plating and with a rubber cover to make the walking safe.

Capt. [Chris Christianson, who is to be the skipper, is to follow the construction very closely.

An Aged Voter.

A report from far off Oregon says: Mrs. Sarah Todd, 103 years old, and a sister-in-law of Abraham Lincoln, walked to the polls this month and cast her first vote. "Grandma" Todd, as she is familiarly known in Eugene, Oregon, has taken a lively interest in the referendum balloting. Born in Kentucky when that state was a wilderness, she moved to Missouri at an early age, and came to Oregon twenty years ago. This was, therefore, her first opportunity to enjoy the right of suffrage, and she was especially concerned over the fate of the university measures. "Grandma" Todd will be 104 years old March 29. Her husband's sister was Mrs. Abra-

The Republican National Committee at its session this week in Washington, has made entirely new rules governing the next national convention. The primary lawof chosing delegates in vogue in many of the states is recognized, and the number of delegates for each state will be based on the size of the party in those states, thus greatly reducing the southern representation, where no Republican party is allowed to exist. The proposition to call a special convention this Spring to confirm these regulations was voted down by a large majority. The meeting was harmonious.

Reports from Pittsburgh say that since October 15 there has been a gradual decline in industrial activity, until today there are at least 125,000 men in western Pennsylvania working on an average of only three days a week. Sentimental fear of the tariff is alleged to have caused this depression. Railroads have not placed orders for rails for next year's delivery as they did last year. Orders placed to date aggregate 200,000 tons for 1914 delivery as against 600,000 tons placed last year at this time. A little more drastic legislation at Washington and Coxe's Army, a million strong, will have nothing to do but take to the road.

Bachelors had better take warning. The authorities at Washington are going for them next. Representative Borland, looking for notoriety, has introduced a bill in Congress taxing all bachelors for the benefit of widows and orphans. His bill would tax unmarried men between 25 and 30 \$100 a year, 30 and 35 \$200 a year, and \$300 a year for those 35 and upward. Widows with one child under 14 years would get \$3 s month and those with more \$4 a month extra for each additional youngster.

The various insurance companies of the country own \$5000 shares of New Haven stock according to last reports. This stock is carried on their books at \$12,6a2,000. If this stock is sold at the prices prevailing at this time it would bring but \$5 780,000. This is a pretty large shrinkage, to say nothing about

the loss of interest. Pres. Gardner of the New England Navigation Co., before the House committee on merchant marine, stated that his line had reduced the passenger load about one-half to meet the capacity of lifeboats, and could not financially stand further reduction, owing to last year's

deficit of \$350,000. Mr. Fred Bryant of Harvard, who was operated upon for appendicitis a short time ago at the residence of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Bryant, is now making rapid recovery and will soon be out.

MIDDLETOWN.

(Prom our Regular Correspondents)

Count of Propage At the Court of Probate field on Monday, December 15, the following estates were passed upon. Estate of Isaac Barker. The third account of Abiel F. Davis, Administrator de bonis non, with will annexed, was examined, allowed and ordered recorded. Estate of Laura A. Barker. The third account of Abiel F. Davis, Guardian, was verified, allowed and passed for record. Estate of Minnin A. Johnson. Peti-

for record.

Estate of Minnio A. Johnson, Petition of Lewis L. Simmons, Guardian, for authority to sell real estate, was continued to the third Monday in Janu-

Estate of Alice P. Mayer. The petition of Henry Bedlow and Harriette Hall Morris, to appoint appraisers, to determine the value of real estate in the State of Rhode Island, was continued to the third Monday in January. A copy of the decree entered in the Superior Court December 1, dismissing the appeal of Henry Bedlow and Harriette Hall Morris, from the decree of the Probate Court of Middletown, denying their cetition for the appointment of an Ad-

appear of Henry Bediew and Harriette Hall Morris, from the decree of the Probate Court of Middletown, denying their petition for the appointment of an Administrator, was received and ordered to be filed and recorded.

In Town Council The Providence Telephone Company, on its petition, was granted permission to re-locate some poles in Green End avenue on Honeyman Hill opposite the eatate of Mary M. Emery, the work to be done under the direction of Lewis R. Manchester, a member of the Town Council. The Newport and Fall Riyer Street Rallway Company, on its petition, was authorized to set four poles on Miantonemi avenue, under the supervision of Lewis R. Manchester.

It was voted to offer a reward of \$100 for information sufficient to convict any person connected with the burning of the storchouse on last Sunday morning, at the corner of Valley road and Green End avenue. The origin of the fire is aupposed to be incendiary. The Witherbos school house, located a short distance east of the storchouse, barely escaped destruction by fire for the second time. The roof caught fire but men if the neighborhood applied water and extinguished the fire, before it obtained any good beginning. In February, 1907, the school house then standing on the site of the present one was totally destroyed by fire communicated from the furnace.

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The following accounts were allowed and ordered paid from the town treasury. William II. Sisson, for repairs in Roud District No. 1, \$61.25; Elisha A. Peckham, repairing two bridges in Berkeloy averue, \$3.65; Arthur A. Brigham, services as Janitor at town hall, \$3.50; The Dighton Foundry Company, for furnace set and connected at the town hall, \$228; Elisha A. Peckham, work done in now cellar under town hall, \$19.70; H. L. Marsh & Co., for one shovel used at town hall, \$1; Chas. Peckham, for bound atones furnished and set in the Middletown Cemetery, \$6, making out two deeds of burial lots, \$1; A. Herbert Ward, inspecting road construction at south end of Paradise avenue, \$70, services as Assessor of Taxes, \$35; T. T. Pitman Corporation, advertising notice of roward, \$5.25; Jeannette Goffe, clerical assistance in office of Town Clerk, \$40, W. Clarence Peckham, balance due on contract for building \$90 feet of stone road in Paradise avenue, \$180.46; Frank F. Molan, services as prosecuting attorney in case State vs. Stephen Curran and Florence Precee, Thomas G. Ward, complainant, \$100, in case State vs. John Levata, \$10; Nathaniel Champlin, carpenter work at Town Hall, \$3.13; Providence Telephone Company for telephone service in office of Town Clerk, \$4.32, at Town Hall, \$3.12; accounts for the relief of the poor, \$41.

#### PORTSMOUTH,

(From our Regular Correspondent.) Mrs. Ida Smith Almy, wife of William L. Almy, of Tiverton, formerly of this town, died at her home on the Fogland road last week, of tuberculosis, which developed after an attack of pneumonia. She is survived by her husband and two daughters, Annie and Viola, and several brothers and sisters.

Saturday afternoon the Junior Auxiliary of St Paul's Church held its regular mother's meeting during which Mrs. Thoraley of Providence gave an address on the women's united offering for mis-

Col. William Barton Chapter, D. A. R., held a very successful Christmas sale at the chapter house. Miss Helen Coggeshall contributed a doll beautifully dressed, to be awarded to the person guessing her name. This was won by Miss Evelyn Chase. Miss Chase won a handsome doll at the County Fair which she presented to a little nicce.

The Christmas sale given by the Ladies Benevolent Society of the Methdist Episcopal Church in the vestry of the Church was well attended, and the receipts were very gratifying. The room was prettily decorated with Christmas emblems. Mrs. Annie Tucker and Mrs. Charles B. Ashley had charge of the fancy-work; Mrs. Henry Hedly and Mrs. Emeline Wilcox were in charge of the cake; Mrs. A. Fremont Grinnell and Miss Minnie Brophy sold sandwiches; Mrs. Frank L. Tallman and Mrs. William B. Spooner sold icc cream; Mrs. William B. Dennis and Mrs. Leander W. Coggeshall were at the tea table; Mrs. David Hedly and Miss Lois Ashley sold cardy and Mrs. Harrison Manchester ice-cream tickets. edist Enisconal Church in the vestry

Mrs. Timothy P. Durfee has been guest of Mrs. B. Percival Sherman. Phebe Gifford Anthony, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abner P. Anthony, is ill with diphtheria.

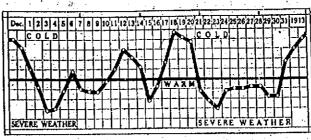
Walter A. Sowle and William T.-H. Sowle bave returned from a business trip to New York.

Mrs. Levi Almy is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Fremont Grinnell.

Mrs. Almira Tallman has returned from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Edward Brown of Glen St. Mrs. Perry Chase left Tuesday for West Pond Beach, Florida, going with Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Whalen of Fall River. The party expect to remain all winter.

The Junior Auxiliary of St. Paul's Church held a Christmas cale in the Goild House on Tuesday from 4 to 8 o'clock. The tables were prettily decorated and contained a good assortment of articles suitable for Christmas gifts. The director, Mrs. Frederick C. Cooke was in charge of the affair; but the children who make up the society were at all the tables. Misses Katherine Boyd, Stella Heldey and Josephine Rose were at the tea-table. Misses Dorothy Barry and Hattie Robinson sold Christmas cards. Misses Annie Hall, Irene Sewall and Florence Rose sold souvenirs. Misses Eleanor Matthews The Junior Auxiliary of St. Paul's

WEATHER BULLETIN.



Southeast of a line drawn from Montreal, Canada, to El Pasc Texas, temper atures of December will average lower than usual and precipitation about or above normal. Northwest of that line about or above normal temperatures with less than usual precipitation, except colder than usual on northern Pacific slope and in northern Rockies with more than usual snow. Temperatures will be lowest dur ing the weeks centering on December 3 and 23 and highest during the weeks cen tering on November 30. December 18 and January 2. Storm forces will be greatest and most severe weather will occur during the weeks centering on December 2, 23 and January 1. Heaviest precipitation expected in vicinity of Gulf of Mexico.

Treble line represents normal temperatures. Where the temperature line goes above this normal line indicates warmer and where it goes below indicates cooler than usual. Temperature line dates are for Meridian 90. Count one to three days earlier for west of that line and as much later for east of it in proportion to the distance from that line which runs north and south through St. Louis. slope about Jan. 3, great central val-

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Washington, D. C. Dec. 18, 1918. Washington, D. C. Dec. 18, 1918.

Last bulletin gave forecasts of disturbances to cross continent Dec. 22 to 25 and 25 to 29, cool waves 24 to 28 and 25 to 29, cool waves 24 to 28 and 28 to Jan. 1. These will bring ten days of Jower temperatures than usual. The dates are for meridian 90 and the events will be from one to three days earlier west of that line and as much later east of it. A radical cold wave will cross continent Dec. 20 to 25 and the school boys' delight-winter snows—will prevail in northern sections.

Not far from Dec. 21 a cold wave and blizzard is expected, probably calder but not so severe as the storms of Dec. 4 to 8, but all should be on the lockout for it. These bad storms are expected.

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in great central valleys about dates
mentioned and in eastern sections about
Christmas eve, the day before Christmas. They will increase in force as
they progress eastward and will be at
their greatest on the European steamer
lines not far from Newfoundland.
These storms will start double, a day
or two apart but will unite in eastern
sections. A large part of the holidays
will be average Winter weather.
Next disturbance will reach Pacific
coast about Dec. 31, cross Pacific slope
by close of Jan. 1; great central valleys
2 to 4, eastern sections 5. Warm wave
will cross Pacific slope about Dec. 31,
great central valleys Jan. 2, castern
sections 4. Cool wave will cross Pacific

and Janet Wilkie presided at the candy table; Misses Elizabeth Anthony and Hazel Ford had charge of the cake table, Misses Hazel Dale and Ruth Mott had, charge of the fancy work table. The attendance was good and a good any are realized. sum was realized.

The New York Herald presents reports from more than 100 cities in nearly every state of the United States detailing the industrial and commercial conditions. New England, Northwest and Pacific groups report business "fair;" the north Atlantic group, comprising New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware, reports business "at a standstill;" the south Atlantic, Gulf, western and southwestern groups all report business "booming;" the middle West group reports business "below par." All of which goes to show that the South is in the saddle and that every energy of this administration will be bent towards improving that section of the country to the detriment of the rest of the union.

#### FAV LEAD BY FIRE

Many Others injur a in Salvation Army Lodgian House in Cincinnati Five are duid and a score were injured when tire, believed to be of incendary critin, destroyed the Salvation Army honge for men at Cincinnati, Many of the Injured were overcome by smoke, while others suffered harts in making their

way out of the fire-swept building. Several of the injured are in a serious condition. The dead are Arthur Sandell of Bangor, Me., bookkeeper and clerk of the home, and T. Shoadell, believed to have worked in this city. Three are unidentified.

Sandell was a son of a Presbyterian minister. There were 150 beds in the building, of which forty-five were oc-cupled by the employes of the Salva-tion Army. Every one of the employes escaped and is accounted for.

#### CASHIER AND MONEY GONE

Employe of Paris Edition of New York Herald Charged With Theft warrant has been issued for the

arrest of Ernest Laporte, cashier of the Paris edition of the New York Herald, who is charged with the embezziement of \$24,000.
Laporte left a letter for James G.

Bennett saying he was a partner in a prosperous Oriental pearl business in America. Some time ago be wished to extend this business and took \$20,-000 of The Herald's money, which he sent to his pariner, and the latter disappeared. Laporte says he did not want the business to collapse, so he took \$4000 more and started for America.

In his note Laporte says he hopes to repay the money with interest in

#### TO OWN WIRE LINES

Postmaster, General's Declaration Taken Up In House

Postmaster General Burleson's de claration for the principle of government ownership of telegraphs and telephones, as outlined in his annual report, just made public, undoubledly will be followed by a Democratic caucus, in the house in January, which will decide how far the pro ject is to be made an administration policy in congress.

Representative Lewis, who was foremost among the congressional leaders who worked out the parcel post, had prepared a bill on the sew subject, but will give way to an administration measure backed by Chairman Moon of the house post-

slope about Jan. 3, great central valleys 5, eastorn sections 7.

The temperatures of this disturbance will average about normal and the range of temperatures will not be great. The storm forces will be greater than usual, not a good time for outdoor affairs. Snows in northern sections. Precipitation will be less than the average of this month but will be located very much the same as for this month.

January will average warmer than usual. Highest average temperatures will be from Jan 10 to 18 and the lowest from 19 to 26 and 5 to 9. Remomber all dates not otherwise explained are for meridian 20 and you must allow for the castward drift of the storm features. Three periods of severe storms are expected within two days of Jan. 3, 27 and 30.

The most radical change in temporatures for January will be from about Jan. 16 to about 24, a cool wave not far from 19 and a cold wave near 22. Precipitation will be greater from Jan. 16 to 24 than from 8 to 16. After the first few days of January the locations of the principal precipitations will change and the Brazil and Argentine countries will get floods similar to the Texas December floods while the northern parts of get floods similar to the Texas Decom-ber floods while the northern parts of South America will get dry weather. Our western coasts will continue to get above normal precipitation during Janu-

The Average flan.

"Pa, what is meant by the average

man?"
"The average man, my son, is a person, who is waked up every morning by an alarm clock, eats his midday med on a stool, catches a trolloy car to go home and nover displays the slightest interest in the price of automobile tires."—Birmingham Age Herald.

Wife Billy, dear. I stitched up the hole in your trousers pocket last night after you had gone to bed. Now, am I not a thoughtful little wife? Husband, M'ml How did you know there was a hole in my pocket?—McCall's Magazine.

O woman with angelic smile, With hatpin sticking out a mile, You gouged my eye with movement deft!

But I don't care; I've got one left.

"So your Shakespeare club is a great success?"
"Yes, we have accumulated enough fines for non-attendance to take us all to a matince party."—Pittsburgh Post.

Young wife (pointing)—Everybody tells me how nice I look in my new dress, but you haven't said a word.
Husband—Your friends, my dear, pay you compliments; I pay your bills.
Boston Transcript.

"See here waiter. Can't you see this coffee is muddy?" "Sure, sir, it ought to be. It was ground this morning!

Weekly Almanac.

DECEMBER STANDARD TIME 1913

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First Quarter, oth day to bolin, morning Full Moon, 18th day toh 00in, morning Last Quarter, 23d day 11b 15m., morning New Moon, 27th day, 9059m morning

#### Deaths.

In this city, l2th inst., Daniel Morrison, in his 32d year.
In this city, suddenly, 13th Inst., Capisto Joseph P. Cotton.
In this city, 18th inst., Elizabeth R., daughter of the late John B. and Mary C. Durfea. In this city, 18th lost., Martha J., wife of Samuel A. Young and daughter of the late William E. and Mary C. Tripp, aged of yeard. In this city, 16th inst., Maurice Z. Lesser, Io his 5th year.
In this city, 16th inst., Susan Tayler, wife

In this city, 18th Inst., Maurice Z. Lesser, to b's Sith year.
In this city, 16th inst., Susan Taylor, wife of Joshus H. Bacheller.
In this city, December 18th, Sarah Eitrabeth Cole, wife of the late James A. Haynor, in Middletowa, 18th Inst., Hannah S., widow of Samuel E. French and daughter of the late Perry C. and Phebe R. Irish. In Middletowa, 18th Inst., George, sho of Frank and Emile options.
In Tiretton, 12th Inst., 1da L., wife of William L. Almy, in her 47th year.
In Tivetton, 12th Inst., Frank E. Almy, in his 62th year.
In Providence, 15th Inst., Rebecca B., widow of Horace B. Watker, In 1983 year.

HOUSES, SITES AND PARMS.

Persons living in other States, away from Newport and wishing information for them selves or Iriends regarding feasurements Houses aroushed and unformished, and farms or Blies for building, can ascertain what they TABLES WILLIAM TO

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## **PROVIDENCE**

Newport & Providence Railway In offect Sept. 15, 1913.

A car will leave Washington Square Week Days at 7:40 a. m. making close connection through to Providence by the way of Bristol arriving at Union Station, Providence, at 9.30 a. m. The other trips through the day will remain the same, leaving Newport at 50 minutes past the hour until 5.50 p. m. SUNDAYS connecting through to Providence leaving Newport each hour from 8.50 a. m. to 7.50 p. m.

G. W. TOWLE, Superintendent

#### NOTICE.

To the Newport Mercury. Gentlemen : :

The undersigned takes this method of informing his friends and especially the Representative Council of this City that he has been urged to be a candidate for the Office of Street Commissioner of the City of Newport for the year 1914, and say if elected I will serve the City to the best of my ability by giving my whole undivided attention to the duties of the office, which is required by law.

Hoping the Gentlemen of the Representative Council may think well of my candidacy.

I am yours truly,

WM. HAMILTON, 51 Bridge St., City. Newport, R. I., Oct. 7, 1913.

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## BECOMES THIEF FOR BABY'S SAKE

Daugh er Would Become Blind Without an Operation

#### CONFESSES WH. II ARRESTED

Cleveland Man Becomes Burglar When That Beemed to Be Only Way to Raise Money For Burgeon's Fee-Always Worked Alone and Was Not Suspected For Two Years

To save his baby daughter, Eleanor, from a life of blindness, George Collisi, 24 years old, of Cleveland, O., turned burglar two years ago, and since that time, working niways alone, he has stolen thousands of worth of loot.

He realized only a traction of the value of the stolen goods, but the fund which was to pay for the operation on the child's eyes grew, and the \$5000 worth of loot detectives found buried at the home was a sort of reserve, held to insure the surgeon's fee, Collisi, arrested, confessed. A thin milky film which began to

show itself in Eleanor's left eye a little more than two years ago caused Collisi and his wife much uneasiness. Finally they took her to a physician and learned that an operation must be performed if the sight of the eye was to be saved and they were told If the membrane was not removed the sight of the other eye would probably be lost. At that time he was a day laborer in a boller factory, earning \$1.65 a day.

That wight husband and wife dis-cussed for hours some way of obtain-ing the money needed for the operation, which the surgeon had said could not be successfully performed for two, passibly three years, but which must be done immediately when the film was ripe for the knife. The impossibility of saving enough out of the \$1.65 was clear, and finally Col-list said, "There's only one waytake the money from those who have

At first his wife did not understand and when she did she protested until she saw baby Eleanor groping about. She nodded.

Then began Collisi's career which has proved more building to the police than that of any other burglar who has ever worked in Cleveland. A few simple rules insured the lone marauder's success. He never en-tered a house after 9 o'clock at night; never entered a house which had another person in it; never entered a house in which there was a dog, and never went armed.

Most of the loot Collist disposed of himself, selling considerable quanti-ties of gold and silver which he had reduced to unrecognizable tumps by heat, to manufacturing jewelers, but once in a while Mrs. Collisi sold a piece of jewelry to a pawnbroker. Her trips excited the suspicion of the police, but her vists were so infre-quent that she was never followed until a little more than two days ago, when she was followed to the Myrile avenue address. For two days

detectives watched the house. Collisi knew they were near and remained away from home until they went away Friday night. He entered the house, and the detectives, whose departure had been a ruse, returned to find him playing with the children. He was arrested and charged with

the burglaries. Without hesitation. the police say, he admitted his guilt, and was taken to headquarters, where he told in detail of his two years' experlences as a burglar.

#### COFFIN WAS SCARED

Aviator, Has Enough of Flying After Driving the Brutal Beast

Ten years ago Wilbur Wright made his first peroplane flight at Kitty-On the anniversary. the Brutal Beast, said to be the most powerful aeroplane ever constructed, owned by Hobert J. Collier, made at Haritan bay, severa times reaching a speed of eighty miles an hour in the air and from fifty to fifty-five miles on the water.

Incidentally Frank Coffin, the aviator, who drove the Brutal Beast, announced after the trials that he through with flying forever. He thinks no has been toying with fate long enough.

The engine for Collier's machine was built in France by special order.
It has twenty cyclinders and can develop 222 horsepower.

#### HOBSON GETS CHALLENGE

Is Attacked For Absences From House by Representative Donovan

A challenge to a debate in Alabama on the question. "Resolved. That absence from congress by a representative in good health is nonest and justifiable," was issued to Representative Hobson, of Alabama, by Representative Donovan of Connecticut

These members recently came near blows over the liquor question. Dono van anys lionson has attended the sessions of the house so infrequently that he ought to resign. Hobson accepts the challenge.

Chose Death to Poorhouse

To escape passing Christmas in the poorhouse, to which she was to have been taken, Mrs. Mary Armstrong. aged 10, committed suicide by in-baling gas at New York.

Pioneer Aviator Dead Leon Bolle, pioneer aviator, who made possible the first flights in made possible the first flights in France, died at Paris. Bollee who was then notable in the automobile industry, placed his services at the disposal of the Wrights at Mans In 1908 and three enabled the American 1905 and thus enabled the American inventors to inaugurate aeroplaning in France.

### BOSTON WOMAN SAYS SHE WAS DRUGGED

To save her busband and year-old

child from being murdered, Mrs. Frank Montiscano of Hanover street,

Boston, said to be wealthy, drank at the point of a revolver; a glass of

water believed to have been drogged,

and then, under threat of death while thus stopelled, went to Red Bank,

N. J., with Samuel Zaparo of 212 Sprewsbury avenue, in that city.

That is the story she told Recorder

Harry C. Badeau at Red Bank, after

her escape from Zaparo's home by

a ruse, following an imprisonment of

two menths. Zaparo is held on a charge of assault and battery. He is

also said to be wanted by the Boston

AFTER FATHER'S FUNERAL

Miss Mary Carton of New Haven

Commits Suicide by Drowning

in Mill river, at New Haven, Conn.

after attending the funeral of her father and was drowned.

Miss Carton was well known in the section of the city where she lived. She grieved over the death of her

father to such an extent that it affect-

ed her mind, according to the mem-

bers of the family. The funeral ser-vice for Mr. Carton took place in St.

Patrick's church and the interment

Miss Carton went to the grave, and, instead of returning home with

the members of her family, she walked to the river front and threw

herself in the water. Her body was

found by a policeman an hour later.

MAY LOSE SALARIES

Rhode Island Facing Deficit and

Teachers Likely to Suffer

a delicit in its treasury, according to

a statement made by General Treas-urer Walter A. Read, and as a con-

sequence the school departments in

several of the cities and towns are

likely to be financially embarrassed.

The state has been unable to meet

any of the payments of school funds which fell due last Monday, and as a

result some of the cities and towns

expect to have difficulty in paying

their teachers and other school ex-

The shortage, Treasurer Read said, in due to the many appropriations made by the last session of the state

KEROSENE EXPLODED

Mrs. Farrell of Woonsocket Poured

Liquid Into Kitchen Range

Woonsocket, R. I., when a kerosene

can exploded as she was pouring the

an exploded as and particular in a kitchen range.

Mrs. Margaret Farrell, aged 55, a widow, yiethm of the burns, raninto an adjoining bedroom. Three young women, including one of her dependent and ber grand daughter and

daughters, ber grand-daughter and

nelce, jumped from the second story window. All were more or less

Acting Fire Chief David E. Stone

rescued Mrs. Roscoe Cook and week-

old baby. The property damage was

ARREST EX-BANK TELLER

C. H. Foster of Taunton Accused of

Embezzling \$2500

C. P. Foster, late teller of the Bris-

C. P. Foster, late tents of the Bis-tol County National bank at Taunton, Mass., was arrested by United States Deputy Marshal Ruhi, on a complaint alleging the embezzlement of \$2500 from the bank on Oct. 23, 1913. He was presigned before Commissioner

Goodspeed and ball was fixed at \$2000

Foster resigned from the bank in

October and later paid back to the

bank \$2500 in cash, bring the amount

of an alleged shortage which the

Salem Undertaker Picks Bride

Frank E. Smith, a Salem, Mass.

undertaker, after walting fifty-seven

years old, and well known locally as

Maine Grange is For Suffrage

Women's suffrage was indorsed by the state grange of Maine.

V.RMONT IN TOW

Further Trouble Develops in Crippled

Battleship's Enginercom

dy Hook, N. Y., from the battleship Vermont, disabled last week when she

broke a shaft, state that on Sunday morning she was forced to reduce speed to eight knots because of addi-

Some of the holding rivets of the

port trues bearings were carried away and on Monday she was forced to stop

and request ald from the battleship

Deigware, which has been detailed to

accompany the disabled vessel to Nor-

Vermont in tow and is proceeding at

DEAD UNDER AUTOMOBILE

Partiy Burned Body of G. H. Baker

Found in Remnants of Car

The partly burned body of George

ine partiy burned body of George H. Baker, and it, of Owego, N. Y., son of Ex-State Railroad Commis-sioner Frank H. Baker, was found lying beneath the burned remnants

of his touring car at Apalachin, a

Baker left Owego to visit his sister,

Mrs. John Webster, in this city, and started for home in the morning. How

the accident occurred is not known.

thort distance from this city.

The Delaware has taken the

Wireless messages received at San-

claimed to have discovered

for a hearing.

an entertainer.

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burned and injured by the jump.

A woman was burned to death at

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The state of Rhode Island is facing

was in St. Lawrence comelery.

Miss Mary Carton, aged 23, jumped

police for abduction.

Charges New Jersey Man Kepl Woburn Pant of Cottle Com-Her Prisoner Two Months pany Reduced to Ashes

OIL AND GREASE FEED FIRE

GREAT TANNERY

PREY OF FLAMES

Explosions of Gas and Steam Frequent but Firemen Excape injury as They Were Forced to Work at Distance Owing to Heat-Loss is \$250,000-Trains Delayed an Hour

Fire destroyed the tannery of C. Cottle Leather company, Woburn, Mass., causing a loss of \$250,000.

As the plant was within 100 feet of the Boston and Maine railroad tracks, hose had to be laid over the rails. As a result no trains could be run past the scene of the fire. Hundreds of home-bound residents of Woburn and Winchester were delayed for more than an hour.

Oil and grease fed the flames; which apread rapidly and could be seen for miles around. Within an hour the plant was reduced to ruins. Nothing remained standing but the chimney and botters. More than 10,-(60) people were attracted to the

Explosions of gas and steam were frequent, but the firemen of Woburn and Winchester escaped injury, because they were forced to light the fames from a distance on account of the intense heat. Fifty operatives are thrown out of employment for the Christmas season.

The main building was a four-story The main building was a tour-story wooden structure and was connected with four smaller structures by wooden runways. The whole plant covered an area of 350x200 feet.

When the lire broke out Superintendent William H. McGowan, Michact Lilley the watchman, and James Morin, another employe, were in the main building. The first they knew of the lire was when they heard the automalic sprinkler hegin to work.

The building was valued at \$50,000 and the machinery, much of which was new, at \$200,000. The loss is largely covered by insurance.

The factory is one of the oldest in Wodurn. It was rebuilt in 1898 after a boller explosion that killed six men. Until recently it was operated by the G. H. Forbush company, which was petitioned into bankruptey and its business taken over by the Cottle

#### BIG LONDON DEAL

Mineteen Acres in Heart of City Changes Hands

What is believed to be the biggest private real estate deal on record was completed by the purchase of the Duke of Bedford's block of Freehold property, covering about inheteen acres in the vicinity of Covent Gar-den, in the centre of London, by Harry Mallaby Deeley, a Unionist member of the house of commons.

Many millions of pounds sterling changed hands over the transaction, were withheld, the out the lightes agents vonchsafing only the information that the price exceeds by several million pounds the sum paid for any other single property.

Roughly speaking the estate in-cludes the Royal Opera, the Drury Lane, the Aldwych, the Strand and the Lyceum theatres, several hotels, Covent Carden Market, Bow street police court, the National Sporting club and several great printing estab-

#### CARD NAL RAMPOLLA DEAD

Former Secretary of State at Vatican Passes Away Suddenly

Cardinal Hampolla, secretary of state under Pope Leo XIII., and one of the great powers of the Catholic aled suddenly in Rome. Not even a rumor that he was ill had reached the public.

Cardinal Hampolla, in addition to

the honors he has enjoyed, was about to receive another token of the regard in which he was held by the pope and the sacred college. He was about to be named dean of the sacred college, succeeding the late Cardinal Oregila, who died recently.

The cardinal was also looked upon years, has found the woman of his heart. She is Lulle G. Coffin, 47

as a probable successor to Pope Plus X., the veto power of Austria which prevented his being elevated to the papal throne in 1893, having been abolished by the present pontin soon after he became supreme head of the church. He was born in 1843.

Rumor of Peerage For Bryce The bestowal of a peerage on James Bryce, formerly British ambassador at Washington, is foreshadowed by Truth, in writing about probable new year's honors.

#### NEW ENGLAND GLEANINGS

man believed to be James P. Fagan, a mill operative of Manton, R. I., was killed at East Greenwich by a He was identified by a pay

Guiseppe D'Amico of Boston, foreman for a firm engaged in a sewer contract was killed by the expression of dynamite at Pittsfield, Mass.

Wilmot B. Eldridge and his wife, Addle B. Eldridge of West Gardiner Me., met their death on Dec. 7 last by "sufficiation from smoke and bre, the cause of the fire being unknown," according to the versict rendered by the coroner's jury.

Laborers Die in Fire Martin Coughlin, aged 40, and Leon Roberts, aged 60, both farm laborers, lost their lives in a fire which damaged the Vernon House at Rockville,

### REPRIMANOS FOR CARABAO DINERS

Incident Will Be Passed by Without Courtmartial

The Carabao dinner incident will so into army and usay archives through a reprimand and not through courtmartial of the ollicers who sanctioned the skits at the organization's baa-quet, according to bellef of officials. Secretaries Garrison and Daniels

were said to have reached the conclusion that no court of army or navy officers would render a verdict of "gulity" in the case of brother officers charged with a culpability which no service man will admit was worth dignifying into an leaue, Hisme for what the cabinet officers

have finally decided was the most serious offence in connection with the dinner-dissemination to the press of an advance story which stated that the organization would stage various "showing their lack stupts pathy with the Democratic Philippine policy -having been assumed by Dr. 31. Heller, on the non-active army iist, it was stated that the whole incident would be dismissed with a severe reprimend to the Carabao offi-

#### A TRAGIC EXPERIENCE

Helpless Woman Affort Twelve Hours With Dead Man

After having been adrift for twelve hours in a small launch which she was unable to manage Mrs. M. F. Bearce, a tourist from St. Louis, was rescued at Miami, Fig. In the boat with the woman was the dead body of her companion, George D.

Shortly after the couple started out for a boat ride the engine became stalled, and while working over it Smith dropped dead from heart discase,

Mrs. Bearce knew nothing about running the boat, and drifted about in the darkness until 'her cries were heard by fishermen.

#### PUZZLED OVER WORD

American Jury at Paterson, N. J. Unable to Arrive at Verdict

The meaning of the Italian word "batteti" as Carlo Tresca, the In-dustrial Workers of the World leader, used it in addressing the striking mill workers at Paterson, N. J., last apring, puzzled the members of an American lury.

Tresca was tried for inciting the strikers to violence. The question that made it difficult for the jury to agree was whether Tresca when he said "battell" urged the audience to "bit" or "strike" the police, or merely to "buat" or "conquer" them.

#### DAVIS PLEADS GULTY

Ironworker Confessed to Dynamiting Non Union Built Work

George E. Davis, an iron worker arrested in New York a few months ago, pleaded guilty to a charge of having conspired to transport explo-sives illegally, when arraigned in the federal court at Indianapolis.

Davis told the lederal officers that he had caused many explosions in structures in the east which were being crected by non-union workmen. The charges are similar to those on which thirty-three union men were convicted here last December.

Fear Lynching of Negroes The three negroes charged with the murder of Mrs. Jefferson Irby, near Wrens, Ga., were brought to Augus-ta, Ga. They were taken from the Waynesboro jail because it was feared that the small force of soldlers on guard there would be unable to cope with the mob.

#### Root Denice Candidacy

A denial that he was a candidate for the Republican nomination for the presidency in 1916 was made in the senate by Elihu Root. Root said he could not and would not accept the office. Before the next president is inaugurated, he spid, he would be

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"So to desput I wrote for a Sampa of Cultura Seap and Olitment and from the first it began to get better rapidly. I then bought but one cake of Cultura Seap and one box of Cultura Olitment. In a few days I noted a great change for the better and in a month's time she was completely cured." (Signed) Mrs. W. B. Owen, Nov.

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New York City

Craft Tirck of the New Year.

New Year's was a long time in settling upon Jan. I as the proper time for its celrbration. Even now, in Greece and Russia, where the Julian calendar is in force, New Year's does not arrive until twelve days after the year is well on its way in the rest of the civilized

world.
The ancient Egyptians and Persians The ancient Egyptians and Persians began the new year at the autumnal equinox, Sept. 22, and the Greeks of Solon's time at the winter solstice, Dec. 21, but in the time of Pericles the date was changed to the summer solstice, June 21. The Romans began the year from the winter solstice until Caesar changed it to Jan. I. With the Jows the new year began in September in civil affairs, but in their ecclesiastical reckening the beginning of the year dates from the vernal equinox, March 22. And, as this is astronomically the beginning of spring, the date is a logical one, and that of the 25th of March (25 being a more fully rounded number) was accepted generally by Christian nations in nicideval times as New Year's.

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In England Dec. 25 was New Year's until the time of William the Conqueror. His coronation happened to fall on Janl, and accordingly the year was ordered to commence on that day. But the English gradually fell into union with the rest of Christendom and began the year on March 25. When in 1882 the Gregorian calendar was promulgated and definitely located New Year's on Jan 1 most Catholic countries adopted it at once, but England did not acquiesce until 1723.

In ancient Rome New Year's day was given up to feating and froheking. Sacrificial fires burned continually on the alters of the twelve gods. All hitigation and strife were suspended, reconciliations took place, New Year's calls were made and New Year's gift's bestowed. There also originated the New Year's resolution, for every Roman resolved on New Year's day was great and the twelve year sa day was presolution, for every Roman resolved on New Year's day to so regulate his conduct that every word and act should be a happy acquiry for all the days of the capsuing year.

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On account of the orgies which marked the New Year's arrival not only among the Romans, but among the Teutonic races, the early Christians looked with acant favor upon the whole teaton. By the fifth century, however, Dec. 25 became the fixed festival of the Naticity, wherecoon Jan. I assumed a

Dec. 25 became the fixed testival of the Nativity, whereopon Jan. 1 assumed a special secred character as the octave of Christmas day.

The giving of gifts on New Year's day has been superseded largely in Angle-Saxon countries by the giving of Christmas gifts, but the custom still is retained in France. This custom was one of the most ancient, and universally one of the most ancient and universally

one of the most ancient and universally of New Year's day.

The druids distributed branches of the sacred misdletoe. The Roman emperors exacted gifts, and so did the English rulers down to the time of Committee.

The world over on New Year's it is a custom to drink to the health of one's

friends.

The custom of making New Year sesolutions and "turning over a new leaf" is universal and, like political platforms, is as much honored in the breach as in the observance. But the temptation which surrounds frail human beings in this wicked world are many and insidi-

OUS.

What a menace to our comfort.

What reproof to him that bossts.

Those habits that discarded,
Faunt our presence still like grosts.

Kansas City Star

#### · Has HIs Limitations.

"Down in Zapesville, where I used to live," relates Dr. Washington Yount, "there was an old colored man who owned a mule. He had more respect for that mule than for any man, white or black, on earth. Uncle Billy claimed that the animal could do anything but talk, and that he didn't talk because he understood the superior wisdom of keeping still.

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"Well, one day that mule was lost, strayed or stolen. Uncle Billy nearly had a fit. He searched diligently all day long, and at the end of the day he was shout ready to lie down and die. A friend tried to help him.

"Uncle Billy," he said, "why "don't you advertise for that mule?"

"Whyn't ah what?"

you saveruse for that muer
"Whyn't sh what?"
"Advertise. Put a piece in the
paper saying that he's lost. That will
bring him back if anything will."
"Uncle Billy laughed for the first

time that day.

"White man," he said, between checkles, dat mule er a powahful smaht animile, he such are, but lawd bless you, he can't read de newspapehs!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer."

#### A Society Caution.

The strange medley of which New York society is composed led Frederick Townsend Martin to say at a luncheon: "Society for all its diversities and contradictions, is uniform in one thing—and that one thing is a lack of culture.
"A society woman, newly rich, as her impossine gided down Fifth avenue said to her naughter:
"My dear at the dinner dance last night you talked entirely too much is

night you talked entirely too much about Ibsen and Bernard Shaw and

Tolstoy.'
"Dear me! Why?' the daughter

asked.

"Strangers," the mother explained,
will be apt to think you were once employed in a book shop."—New York
Tribune.

#### Loves His Mother-in Law.

To a widower: "Is it true, you are about to marry again?"
"It is very true."
"And whom do you marry?"
"My dead wife's sister."

'Is she handsome?'

"Richi" "Not at all."

"Then why have you chosen her?"
"To tell you the truth, my desifriend, in order not to change mother in-laws."—Paris Journal.

A man walking along the street of a village, stepped into a hole in the side-walk and broke his leg. He engaged a famous lawyer, brought suit against the village for one thousand dollars and won

After the claim was settled the law-yer sent for his client and handed him

The man examined the dollar carefully. Ther he locked up at the lawyer and said! "What's the metter with this doller? Is it a counterfeit?"

"Cook, for elderly gentleman, with one experience, wanted at once." tome experience, wanted at once."
If ese elderly gentlen en undoubtedir do have experience. Books, beware.—The

Medical Specialists in England What makes a doctor a specialist? Can any physician or surgion with money behind him take a house in Harley street or neighborhood and practice as a specialist? He can do eq, but it by no means follows that he will be recognized as a specialist

by the profession, To win the professional status of apecialist a man must hold or have held a professorable at a medical school or an appolatment at a heaptful in connection with the disease or group of diseases in which he professes

to specialize. Further, be unnet conform to certain rules of professional conduct. He must not take a less fee than I guines-2 guiness is the rule in London, and some charge 3 or even more-for a consultation, save in extraordinary circumstances. He must not see a new patient except on the introduction of the patient's own medical man. If called to a case the pa-tient's medical man must be present or the specialist will decline to see the aufferer.-London Tatler.

#### Public Health,

Diseases and opidemics used to be counted as "acts of God" in the old legal phrase. It has taken modern sunitary science to discover that the most of them result from acts of manand that a good portion of the rest may be controlled by the exercis man's power over nature. The United States government has been a ploneer among the nations in demonstrating the power of modern sanitation to save It sent Waring to Havana. He made it a city of health and fald down his life in so doing. It took a fever amitten trapic wilderness, its noxious jungles steaming under a torrid sun. and the death rate of the Pansion canal zone is today an example to the most salubrious regions of the world. The whole history of modern sanitation tends to drive home public refor public health.-St. sponsibility Louis Republic,

A Fairly, Good Resion. Sir William Meredith, chief justice of Ontario, and Mr. Hellmuth are mutual fathers lu-law, the lawyer's daughter having wedded the son of the knight. During a rather tellous argument on a case which Sir William was hearing Mr. Hellmuth was proceeding to einbornte on a certain point of law which he thought had an important bearing on the Issue. But the chief justice thought otherwise. He was impatient. For awhile he listened to the inweer's argument; then he leaned back with an all of boredom and interrupted with: "Mr. Hellmuth. it seems to me that this is not relevant. What reason is there why I should be compelled to listen to all this?" Mr. Relimith's mouth had just a suspicion of a smile around its cor-ners as he answered: "Reason, my lord? Why, \$8,000 a year,"

Canals of Venice as Sewers One by one the filmsions of life are shattered. Who has not beard of the gondollers of Venice, the sweet singers whose voices are wafted across the waters as they pulie their graceful craft through the canals of the street less city? "I used to think how poeti-cal it was," sold a returned traveler, "but I found the real reason for their singing was a very practical one. Ven-ice has absolutely no sanitary regulations, and the little canals are just so many sewers into which is dumped all the garbage from the houses. There is no system of plumbing, and the refuse is simply thrown from the windows, so unless you let the householder know you are passing by you are apt to get a douche of dirty water or garbage."-New York Tribune

Took It Good Naturedly.

Four-year-old Tom was expressing his sorrow and anger at the act of a neighbor who had drowned four "beautiful little kittens" "She might have given them to me," said the boy. "Never mind, Tom," said grandfather; "we have lovely kittens of our own.

We have a nice little boy kitten"-"That's me," said Tom proudly. "And a lovely little girl kitten"—
"That's sister Ella," said Tom, point-

ing his spoon at his sister.

"And the dearest old cat in Califor-กรล"--

"That's grandma," said the youth exultantly.

Grandma glowered for a second of time, and then she borst out laughing. -Los Angeles Times.

Sad Awakening.

"I shall never marry," said the young man with a pointed beard. "Because you are an artist?"

"Yes. I painted a picture of the girl to whom I was engaged. She said that if that was the way I thought she looked it was better for us to part."-Washington Star.

When \$5 is \$7.50. Five dollar gold pieces of 1834, with E Piuribus Quum on reverse side, are quoted at \$7.50 in the lists of coin collectors, provided they are in good condition.

Woodpeckers Each woodpecker in the United States is worth \$20 in cash when the value is estimated on the value of the reed that this bird does to trees.

Mental Training An educated roan is a man who can do what he ought to do when he ought to do it whether be wants to do it or

not.-Nicholas Murray Butler,

Nice For the Teacher, Tommy had broken one of the school rules, and the teacher told him to tell his mother about it and also about the punishment, be and received. She thought his mother might thrash him The next morning she asked, "Well, Toning, did you tell four moth-er stont your had behavior yesterday

not bedaloug I was bas "Yes, as sur, said fommy quickly. "Well, what did your mother say?" "Said she'd use to whog your neck." restant Tourns extens.

Agonies of Cout, An English nobleman in a London tine one exeming gave some of his tel

tion of the gout.
"You lie in bed," he said, "with the gonty food stretched out, and you feel as though the sole of it was pressed against the bars of a recipct fire. the middle of the furnace is a fellow with a gun fonded to the muzzle with reduct needles. Presently be first the gun at your foot, and you feel the reduct needles travel up your leg and come out at the knee, not all at once, but like the animals that went into the ark, two by two. When the last couple of needles have finished the course you and yourself sweating with fear and wondering how long it will be before the fellow fires the gun again. Presently you find he is under contract to fire it every five minutes, and you get ready for the discharge, but you can never be said to get accustomed to it, because the blackguard leads it with a new kind of reduct needle every time and sometimes adds half a dozen redbot corkscrows. That's the

Who would patronize gout after that?

The Spider and the Bee

correspondent of Countryside was sitting one day upon an English moor watching a large heather spider as I crouched expectable to its web. Suddealy he saw the spider firmly grip the web with its feet and shake it with all its might. After awhile it repeated the operation, and soon the reason became apparent. Whenever a bee flow near the web the apider gave this warning signal. It did not want any such visitor. If a bee happened to get entangled in the web the spider once cut out that part and so rid itself of its unwelcomo guest. That Intricate than a fisherman's net and. moreover, that It should possess instinct or reasoning power to put the web in the best place and there patiently await its prey suggests that the border line between instinct and reason is far from distinct.

The Word Lady.

Connected, no doubt, with the cheapening of the word "lady" has been the practical disappearance of the "gentlewoman." The distinction between the two was brought out in the seventeenth century rules of civility, which declared that "in visiting a tady it is not enough to salute her, but her gentlewoman also, if she he then present," At the beginning of the placeenth century, "one who has marked with attentive observation the late vicissitudes in kingdoms and governments and, with a precision almost prophetic, foretold what would happen" adver-tised in the Thues als readiness to "give such advice to persons of for tune as may prove of the very utmost Importance to them." "When a lady requires an interview," said the advertisement, "a gentlewoman will give her the meeting."-London Mail.

Joseph Didn't Get It.

It is related that Napoleon ordered from Breguet, the famous Parls watchmaker, a watch for his brother. Jo-seph, who was at the time king of Spain. The back was of blue curinel. decorated with the letter "J" in dia-

In 1813 Napoleon was present at a military parade when a messenger ar-rived bearing a brief dispatch, in which it was stated that the French army had been completely defeated at Vittoria. It was manifest that Spain was lost. Always severely practical, all that Napoleon did, after glancing at the dispatch, was to turn to his secretary and say, "Write to Breguet and tell him that I shall not want that

It is believed that the watch was eventually lought by the Duke of Wellington,

Alliterative Tongue Twister

A novel competition was beld at a very Bohemian West End club recently for the best alliterative gent that would the knots in the toughe of the most careful speaker. The following are some of the best of the "tongue twisters" sent in:

A growing gleam growing green. The bleak breeze hlighted the bright

blossoms.
Flesh of freshly fried flying fish, Strict strong Stephen Stringer snared slickly six sichly silly snakes.

The prize was won by the sender la of the following: Give Grimes Jim's great gilt gig whip.

- Loudon Sketch.

Some Names. Surnames are not what they seem. For instance, Lind is derived from a Teutonic word meaning a "snake." . The ipparently quiet and harmless surname Wren comes from a word which denotes "rapine." Fish, though such an

innocent name in appearance, originally meant "impetuous," Easy Problem. A negro wished to deposit some mon-ey in the postal savings bank and the clerk asked his are. "Well, boss," he replied. "I don't know just how old

kin count it up for yo'self,"-Everybody s. His Selection.

I is, but I was horn in March an' you

"She told me to kiss her on either cheek."

"And you "I besitated a long time between them."- Lenich Burr.

Idnorance. "Pa, what's a contretemps?" "I don't know. I've never learned

the names of all these automobile

parts." Juden A Columbus man sues for \$25,000 each for four toes lost in an accident. My, what a bowl that man must have raised every time he stubbed those precious trees on the corner of the fi-

So far wir the lives of the aphy has saved tions of such that otherwise bave deling more than

Joseph Politzer was born to the vil-age of Mako, sear Budapest in Hungary on April 10, 1817. His fa-ther was a Jew & miother a Chris-tian. At the age of sixteen he enfgrated to the United States, the land ed without friends, without money, unable to speak a word of English. He enlisted tunnedlatury in the First New York (Lincoln) cavalry argiment, a regiment chiefly composed of Germans and in which German was the prevail-

lug tongue. Within a year the war ended, and Pulitzer found himself, in common with hundreds of thousands of others. out of employment at a time when employment was most difficult to secure At this time he was so poor that he was turned away from Preach's hotel, in New York, for the lack of 50 cents with which to pay for his bed. Twen-ty years later he bought French's hotel, pulled it down and erected in its place the Pulitzer building, at that time one of the largest business buildings in New York, where he housed the World,-Alleyno Ireland in Metronolitan.

Pen Picture of Lord, Lister, In Dr. Wrench's biography of Lord Lister, the discoverer of antiseptic treatment of wounds, the author says

of the great surgeon; "He was ever gentle, courteous and firm. Trying as are the exactions and responsibilities of an important surgical post. Lister was never known in speak a sharp word to house surgeon. dresser or any offe in his service. His scientific spirit and discovery attracted the curiosity of the students and young graduates of Edlaburgh; his personal nobility won their hearts; his art of winning their locally was by inspiring enthusiasm and giving encouragement. Often lu the middle of a trying opera tion, wrote one of his pupils, a gentle sullo beslowed on us young students when we were honestly trying to do our best as assistants was most en-couraging. Many of the students afterward confessed that their contact with Lister was the best and purest influence of their lives."

Music is a job lot of ribrations fur-nished to hotels and restaurants for the purpose of adding to the discomof the guests. Music is also used for other purposes. It comes in pinnos harps and organs and sometimes, though rarely, in human beings and phonographs. Bables often furnish music when least expected and at hours not always approved of by respectable people.

Music at one time was called a heav only maid. But she is now mostly clothed in ragtime and is known as flossy. In short, music has run the scale from classic to classy:

Like eggs and other historic back numbers, unisle is now kept in cold storage and comes in reels and cans, Handmade music is gradually being superseded by the factory made article. At one time music, singular as it may seem, was used to make music, Now it is used to make a noise.-Life

Worth Looking At. A man who was something of a gourmet ordered a dinner for himself and his party which, from the menu, should bave been very palatable, but apparently it was not so. Course succeeded course, and toward the end of the meal the host could restrain himself no longer. He called up the waiter and expostulated. "I ordered a good dinner, and we have waited patiently for some satisfactory dish. The soup was a failure, the fish was a disappointment, the cutree uncatable, and 1 am sorry to tell you that during the whole dinner there has been nothing worth looking at." The waiter looked troubled for an instant, and then, brightening up, said, "If you wait a moment, sir, I will bring you the bill." -Chicago News.

Servants In-Bogota

The domestic problem is reduced to a minimum in Bogota. Good domestics are plentiful and cheap. Five to ten dollars a month is high pay. In the bouses of the well to do the servants are well treated and lead happy lives. They have ample quarters of their own, centering round their own patio, and enough of the old patriarchal regime survives to make them really a part of the family.-"Colombia."

Method in Her Singing. The Caller-Who is that singing? The Hostess-That's our new maid. She slways sings at her work. The Caller-What a happy disposition! Mercy, how loud she sings! The Hostess-Yes. When she sings loud she's breaking something.-Cleveland Plain

Lucky.
An editor who started about twenty years ago with only 55 cents is now worth \$100,000. His accumulation of wealth is owing to his frugality, good habits, strict attention to business and the fact that an nucle died and left him \$99,999.—Editor and Publisher.

Advance information. "Was it a case of love at first sight?" "They call it that, although before they met she had heard that he was wealthy, and he had been told she was an heiross."-Detroit Free Press.

Enough Said.

She-Do you know Mr. Boreleigh, the author? He-No. But I have a modding acquaintance with his works. -Boston Transcript.

A man of bonor never purchases happiness at the expense of another's MOTTOW.

A New York woman wants a divorce because her husband is not "gay enough." It seems to be becoming a very difficult matter for a man to know when he has struck the happy medlum.

/ Now that Secretary Puniels has deckled to send the floor of a European and so some of our experienced - itizens will egiven an opportunity to refresh their memories as to what the American flag looks like

THE ELIXIR Teach me, my God and King, In all things thee to see And what I do in anything To do it as for thee.

Not rudely as a beast To run luio an action. But still to make thee prepossest And give it his perfection.

A man that looks on glass, On it may stay bis eye Or, if he pleaseth, through it And there the beaven copy,

All may of thee partake. Nothing can be so mean Which with this tincture, "For пр вине." Will not grow bright and clean.

A servant with this clause Makes drudgery divine. Who sweeps a room as for thy Makes that and the action fine.

This is the famous stone That turneth all to gold. For that which God doth touch

Cannot for less be told.

-George Herbert.

and own

OLO FRIENDS. As I sit and inhale the perfume Of the roses that brighten my

LOGIN I am thinking of friends, trub and tried. Who have passed with the

change in life's tide. And I sigh. . . When my roses shall fade And their leaves in the rose jar be fald

be taid ! Other flowers my vases shall fill. I can always replace them at

But I would not replace if I could The friends who in loyalty stood. When the sun upon other lands beams. Old friends, I am with you in

dreams! -Ethel Sewell Chester.

#### RELIGION.

Reilgion or worship is the attltude of those who see that, against all appearances, the insture of things works for truth and right forever,-Emerson.

Religion, poetry, is not dead. It will never die. Its dwelling and blittiolace is in the soil of man, and it is eternal as the being of man. In any polist of space, in any section of time, let there be a living man, and there an luftaltude above him and beneath bim, and an eternity encompasses him on this hand and on that, and tones of sphere, Music and Ildings from lottler worlds will lift around blm, if he can but listen, and visit blm with holy influences even in the thickest press of trivialities or the din of busiest life.—Carlyle.

Religion presents few difficulties to the humble, many to the proud, incomerable ones to the vain. - Hare.

OLD SCHOOL PUNISHMENT. Old Master Brown brought his

ferrule down. And his face tooked nagry and

red

"Go, seat you there, now, Anthony Blair, Along with the girls!" he said. Then Authory Blair, with a mur-

titled air. With his head down on his breast.
Took his penitent seat by the

malden sweet That he loved of all the best. And Anthony Blair seemed whimparing there But the rogue only made be-

Here. For he preped at the gir's with the beautiful curls And ogied them over his sieeve. -Anonymous.

CRADLE SONG. Sleep, little haby of mine. Night and the darkness are near. But Jesus looks down Through the shadows that frown. And buby has nothing to fear.

Saut, little alcepy blue eyes. Dear little bead, be at rest, Jesus, like you. Was a baby once, too. And slept on ble own mother's breast

Sleep, little bahy of mine. Soft on the pillow so white. Jesus is here watch over you, dear, And nothing can harm you to-

Oh, little darling of mine, What can you know of the bliss, The comfort I keep, Awake and asieep Because I am certain of this? —Anonymosa,

There will be small opposition to Secretary McAdoo's abolition of "V's" as used for "Us" in inscriptions on pub-He buildings so long as they are retained on the currency.

After fighting 172 duels a Parisian was defeated by a doctor who had never handled a sword before. Practice with the lancet comes in mighty handy on these occasions.

The Finding of Omer.

It was the late Mr. Bernaid Quarticles father who jublished FitzGers ald's "Quar," and, finding that the thing didn't sell, he relegated it to the penny box. Its subsequent success was due to a fortunate accident. Two friends of Rossetti came across the poem and thought it worth reading. Rossetti read it and recommended it to Swinburne. What followed Swinburne has blimself told. "Having read the writes, "Rossetti and I invested apward of sixpence apiece or possiby threepence; I would not wish to exagerate our extravagance—in copies at that not exorbitant price. Next day we thought we might get some more for presents among our friends, but the man at the stall asked two-pencel Rossettl expostulated with him in terms of such humorously ladigatent remonstrance as none but he could ever have commanded. We took a few and left him. In a week or two, if I am not much mistaken, the remaining copies were sold at a guinen. I have since \* \* \* seen copies offered for still' more absurd prices. I kept my pennyworth (the tidlest of the lot) and have it still."-London Chronicle.

Twelfth Century Football, In the twolfth century football in England was a game for the streets. The chronicler of that period tells how after dinner the city youlds "addressed themselves to football," and now the scholars of each school and the apprentices of particular trades would each have their peculiar ball. Therewere speciators, too, in those days-enthusiastic speciators. Fathers would come to watch their sons and "become as youthful as the youngest, their nutural heat seeming to be revived at the right of so much ability."

In later years one recalls a finnous ball game played in Hydo park. In 1051, then, "there was a hurilar of a great ball by fifty Cornish gentlemen on one side and fifty on the other. One party played in red caps, the other in white." And—here the historical value of the contest-Croniwell was a spectator and applauded the "great agility of body" displayed.

Aldine Editions.
The introduction of the slepling Ro-

man letters which are known to everybody as italies was made by Aldus-Manutius of Venico in the initer part of the afteenth century. He was the most famous printer of Italy and perhaps of the world. The books he printed, known as Aldine califons, arenuch sought after by collectors. Hisfirst volume in the new type was a Vergli published in 1501 at the price of about 2 shiftings of our money. dus, in fact, was the ploneers of cheap. literature.

The Aldine mark is a dolphin twinco. about an anchor with the name "Aldys." If any repder, says Mr. J. A. Hill in the Imprint, finds a cartland. of old books with the mark in hisvised not to use them for lighting the-They would probably buy good annuity for the soluce of his deellning years.

How Koreans Advertise. Although the Korean has stubbornly refused to adopt western ideas, he has always recognized the value of adver-

tisement. When a Korean opens a new shop or has any particular wares he is auxious to dispose of ar when a nobleman desires to convey a certainpiece of intelligence to the people ha-neeks the services of the sandwich men. In the Hermit Kingdom, however, these men do not carry beards upon which the desired information is: made known to all and sundry, but resort to the medium of picturesquefings, upon which the announcement is inscribed. Anything from one to a dozen flags may be requisitioned, and these are carried through the streets

Not His Fault.

World Magazine.

by boys and men, forming a picturesque moving advertisement. - Wide

One of the women belonging to the Mothers' club at the settlement house came to excuse herself from the meeting with her face swollen and highly discolored. She was biding it with a shawl, and she explained carnestly: 'He wouldn't have done it for anything not for a hundred dollars. But he wasn't bimself, and I said some-thing that crossed him. Then he done it, but he's sorry. I black awful easy, anyway:"-Everybody's.

Sunstroke,

Sunstroke is caused by invisible viclet rays from the sun and not by heat. The temperature to which stokers on Atlantic liners are exposed is far higher than the heat from the sun in the most tropical countries, yet the menare not affected in the same manner.

Woman's Two Ages.

Joax-Shakespeare told us all about

the seven ages of man, but he didn't my anything about the two ages of woman. Hoax-And what are the two ages of woman? Joax-The age the says she is and the age she really is-Philadelphia Record.

Words That Speak

Bang-"a sudden noise like that from a gun" is the definition given by the dictionary. But the explanation is be-fogging and futile, for a "bang" iswell, what better describes it than that

simple word itself? So many of our most expressive words seem similarly to have sprung from a desire to form with the line a sound mimicking the thing described. Why waste words on a definition of the word "splash," for example? You hear all the abrupt, restless heaving of

the waters in that one word. And does even a baby need to be told what "huzz" means when a bluebottle is leading a forlors hope against

the window?
"Tinkle." "whistle." "white." "gusgie." "cackle." "icy"—these are only &
few of our other eloquently de-cripilye words.-London Auswers. Ohildren Cry

FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA Is there—can there be—a man more lonely than one returned from a colony who has been out of his native land for twenty years and comes back when his persed and the old nest has passed to other occupanta! And can his loneliness be more emphasized than when his return synchronizes with Christmas? That was my condition when I revisited my old home. I was back—not at home, for I had no home now. My heart began to fall ins, my spirits, to decline, when I reached the little country town near which I was born. I was indeed depressed. I would hasten to the rooms I had taken his house in the town and spend my Christmis ove with a pipe and a glass—alme.

I had done well in the big world and had returned not a rich man, but with a competence. It hid been my wish, my ambition, to settle in the village about which clung all my sweetest and holiest thoughts. But now—could it be?

As I walked back to my lodgings

At Eilis Island, in the harbor of New York; on Christmas day several bun-dred children, with their parents, us-ually awest debarkation on the shores of America. There is a multitude of Ger-man "kinder," of Italian "bambings"

holiest thoughts. But now—could be?

As I walked back to my lodgings through the street and by the mirket place folks were hurrying in all directions, and the very atmosphere was filled with the spirit of Christmas.

As I pursued my way I saw a tall, slim girl walking before me with a basket on her arm. I noticed that the bottom had come out and that the contents were falling on the payement. Of this she was unaware. I stopped, picked up a little weelly lamb, then something wrapped in paper—a silver matchbox.

Gathering them together, I ran after the girl and stopped her.

"Excuse me," said I. "Are you a female hop o'my thumb, dropping tokens whereby your track may be known?"

I showed what I had collected. She colored and thanked me. Then I recognized her as my landlady's daughter.

"You must allow me to the my hand-kerchief around the basket and to carry it for you. I believe we go the same way." I said.

"You are very good," she replied.

"We ate about to have a Christmas

way," I said.

"You are very good," she replied.
"We ate about to have a Christmas
tree for the children this evening, and
I have been mixing some trifling purchases for my brothers and sisters and
for man and mamma." for papa and mamma."

Then we proceeded on our way, and when we went in the house she received

the basket from me and again thanked me. "Shall you be dining out tomorrow?

asked the girl.
"I? Oh, no. I have no one to dine
with: Iknew no one here."

"And this evening—shall you be going anywhero?"
"No, I have no where whither to go."
So we parted. I went to my room. I had done with my papers. I that before the fire in a brown study, and my spirits sank lower and even lower.
The door opened, and I saw some little heads outside. with golden curls and flushed cheeks, and a child's voice said, "Please, Mr. What's your-name, will you come to our tree downstairs?"

As I hesitated the child said, "Please—Annie told us to ask you."
So I descended and was witness of the delight of the little ones over 'their presents, when up sprang one of the

presents, when up sprang one of the children and plucked from the tree the silver matchbox.

'This!' said the boy, 'is for Mr. What's his name. Sister Annie said it

was for him."

was for him."

I was moved more than I can say. So some had been thinking of me though I was only a lodger.

"Look here, sir!" sald the father.

"You're a stranger in England, and at such a time as this there must be no strangers. You must really sup with

A Definition.

Three ladies had planned a drive to-

nee saues na plannes a drive to-gether, but when the hour appointed came one of them asked to be excused on the score of an attack of indigestion. Her companions expressed their disap-pointment and sympathy, but the elder of them insisted that the excuse was in-sufficient.

sufficient. "You shouldn't let yourself be governed by such ideas," she said. "It is really all as you think. What is indigestion, anyway?" The third lady, wishing to avoid the apparently impending discussion on mental control of illness, broke in outchly:

quickly:
"Indigestion," she said, "is the fail-ure to adjust a square meal to a round stomach."—Harper's Magazine,

Would Call Them. -

Jones was showing his wife and her friend, Mrs. Brown, around the new offices. He left them in the waiting room for a few minutes while he answered a telephone cell and the con-

Explaining the Needle.

soup! What does this mean!"
"Just a misprint, sir," explained the former typesetter. "It should have been a noodle."

The daughter of a southern congressman had recently been a bridesmaid at the marriage of a college chum. On her return home she was telling the family, including the old colored mammy, if the ceremony.

"And just think, Aunt Comfort,,' she finished, the bride wore the lace veil that had belonged to her great-

grandmother 'Law, Miss Sydney, chile!' ex-ctaimed mammy in tones of horror.
'That sholy am one saving family!'--

Docter. "Do you have noises in your

ead?"
Patient. "Sure, Oi have them all the ime an' some times I can hear thim

Ethel-If you are not going to accep Mr. Kelly why don't you tell him to stop calling on you? Clarice-I will right after Christmas.

Judge.

fifty feet away.

such a time as this there must be no strangers. You must really sup with us and dime also with us tomorrow. I can promise you a good plum pudding, for it is of Annie's making."

All was changed. I was a stranger, and they took me in. I was lonely, and they made of me a friend.

Ah, if the old home were gone might I not jouild one that was new! I need no longer live in the past, but look to the future, and next Christmas, please God, I would not be alone—that is, if Annie (but I cannot say) will consent to put an end to my lonelness and help in building up a future.

#### : Banker's Arithmetic, .

Themas W. Lawson, the Boston financier, said the other day of a scandalous financial deal:

"The people traded on popular ignorance. They were like Calhoun Clay who opened a bank in Nola Chucky.

"All the colored people around Nola Chucky deposited their savings in Calhoun's bank, and Cal soon began to wear, instead of cowhile boots and jeans, patent leathers and broadcloth.

"Then one day, Wash White called at the bank and said:

"I'd like to draw out my money, sah."

"Your money?" said the banker, lighting a 10-cent cigar.
"Yes, sah; my \$10,"
"Your \$10?"

"Yes, my \$10 what I 'posited last

"'Why, man alive!' shouted Banker Calhoun Clay, angrily, don't you know the interest done et that up three months ago?! '-Ex.

#### The Last Thing.

An example of the laconic answers in the height of its effectiveness was given recently by Miss Jane Cowl, leading woman in "Within the Law,"

recently by Miss Jane Cowl, leading woman in "Within the Law."

"There had been an explosion in a powder mill and the proprietor, who was away on a pleasure trip, hurried home to make an investigation.

"How in the world did it happen? he asked the foreman of the mill as he viewed the wreck. Who was to blame?"

"Well, you see, sir," replied the foreman, "it was this way. Bill went into the mixing room, probably thinking of something else, and struck a match in mistake. He-
"Struck a match! exclaimed the ptoprietor in amazement. 'I should have thought that would be the last thing on earth he'd do;"

"It was, sir," was the calm rejoinder of the foreman."--Young's Magazine.

#### Basy Money.

A shabby old cottage on the out-skitts of a village was suddenly trans-formed by paint and paper into an at-tractive little house, and a summer resident of the place who knew the occupants to be a poor widow and her ne'er-do-well son, was curious about the change. He inquired about it at the change.

the change. He inquired about it at the gates.

"Yes, sor," replied the old lady smilingly, "my son's in work now. Makes good money, edoes, too. All 'e has to do is to go twice in the circus every day, and put 'is head in the lion's mouth. The rest of the time 'e 'as to 'eself." -Pittsburgh Chronicle Telegraph.

Good Old Santa Goes to Many

Odd Places,

Good old Santa Claus looks in upon pretty nearly everybody at Christmas time, and the featival of which he is pa-tron is celebrated in some very odd ways and out of the way places in our coun-

At Ellis island, in the harbor of New

man kinder, of Italian "pambinos" and of youngators of every nationality, as much interested, all of thom in Christmas doings as any Yankee young folks could possibly be. It is indeed an eccasion of great exclument for them,

Little Johnny was small of stature and looked rather pale and out of sorts, which led his achool fellows to tease and cross-question him.

Who's your family doctor?" asked a big boy, with a bullying and swagger-

Sorrows of Johnny.

ing air. "Haven't got any doctor at all," said Johnny. "I never see one."
"How folly fine! replied the other.
"You don't have to take any medicine, then?"

"Oh, don't I?" replied Johany.
"That's all you know about it! My father's a dentist, my mother's a homeopathle, my eldest sister has joined the ambulance class, grandmother tries every patent medicine, advertised, my unclo is a veterinary surgeon, and-and," he added, almost in tears, "they all practice on mel"—Tit-Bits.

#### Quite a Run.

as much interested, all of them in Christmas doings as any Yankee young folks could possibly he. It is indeed an occasion of great excitement for them, inasmuch as the missionary societies have provided for these humble aliens a wealth of good cheer, and, with the help of chantions made for the purpose, the day is rendered joyful for all. both young and old, toys being plentifully distributed among the little ones.

The lonellest places in the world are some of the lighthouses which our government maintains along the coast for the protection of mariners. Yet Santa Claus finds his way to them, and in his honor a feast, even though it be a humble one, is held. It may but that the barren rock which the lighthouse marks affords room enough for the keeping of of a dozen chickens, the faitest of which are suitably sacrificed.

But even this is not practicable in such a spot as Boon Island, off the coast of Maine, a dangerous bit of terra firms which is continually swept by the waves. Only a few years age, so the story goes, a little girl four years of age, daughter of the keeper of Boon light, was so distressed because her father had been provented by continual storm from going to the maintain for the customary Christmas googe that the stole out of the light-house and knett in a sheltered spot to pray.

""Dear God," she said, "please send us a goose for our Christmas dinner!" Hardly had she spoken the words when a great wild goose flew (as sometimes happens in such places) against the big lantern above and fell dead at her feet, to be promptly carried in and presented to the family had she spoken the words when a great wild goose flew (as sometimes happens in such places) against the big lantern above and fell dead at her feet, to be promptly carried in and presented to the family had she spoken the words when a great wild goose flew (as sometimes happens in such places) against the big lantern above and fell dead at her feet, to be promptly carried in and presented to the family had she spoken the words when a great It's an everworked word, that poor little monosylable "run."
"I found a run started in my best stockings this morning," said the woman, "so I thought I it run down town and go into — s, where they are having a great run on slik bose. They run an advertisement in this morning's paper, you know. Well, I'd nun yoye over the bargains on the way down and I saw so many things I needed that I ran out of maney before I got to the hose counter. Well, I'd run my, legs off by that time, but I don't run a bill at — s, so I was in despair until who should I run into but my husband, I got some money of him — he's more generous than the general run of men— but when I got up to the counter they drun out of my slze. Wasn't that a terrible run of luck?"

And so she ran on and on and on.— Cleveland Plain Dealer. And so she ran on and on and on.-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

#### / Cites a Queer Precedent.

Mr. Justice Holmes has the reputa Mr. Justice Holmes has the reputa-tion of cting more peculiar cases from the old lawbooks than any other mem-her of the Supreme court. He dug up an additional one Saturday to the amusement of his associates, when it was contended in a libel suit that the declaration was insufficient because the offense was not stated groperly. "That leads me to recall a case in the old books," said the justice, "where an indictment set forth that the accused struck a man on the head, splitting the skull until a portion fell down on either shoulder, and the court held the indict-ment defective because it did not a!

shoulder, and the court new the management defective because it did not allege that the man was killed."

The justice observed that it was a halr-splitting decision, and he didn't intend it as a pun, either,—New York Times.

#### The Dream Lion.

under the rules, to be cut "fore and Itt."

In that far flung archipelage known as the Aleutian chain, which, reckened geographically as a part of Alaska, stretches across the northern Pacific, Russian customs are still retained to a great extent, though the islands belong to the United States.

But, speaking of Alaska, it is a fact corrious enough that Santa Claus in real life is geen there at Christmastide as nowhere else in the world, with his reindeer. The superintendents of the reindeer stations, established by the government for the benefit of the natives, harness the tamest of their animals and, hitching them to a sleigh filled with bugs containing provisions, tobacco and other desirable things, drive through the Eskimo villages and leave at each numble hut one of the sacks as a reminder that the Christ-Child, about whom these poor people have learned from the missionaries, is born.—Los Angeles Times. A Vienna professor is credited with saying that dreams are usually wish fulfillments. Maybe so. What about that childish dream in which the feroclous lion comes bounding along be-hind you, and you run as boy never ran before, and the lion closes the gap little by little, and then—all of a sudden ay attie, and then—all of a sudden—your legs grow limp and your muscles turn to water and your reet fray out, and the lion leaps—and you awake with a yell, if your voice isn't paralized, and everybody in the house wakes with your—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

#### Two Words for One

Saxe, the American joker and poet, Saxe, the American joker and poet, was once taking a trip on a steamer, when he fell in with a lively young lady, to whom he made himself very agreeable. Of course he made an impression upon the damsel, who said at parling: "Good-by, Mr. Saxe. I fear you will soon be forgetting me."

"Ah, my dear young lady," said the inveterate ponster. "If I was not a married man already you may be sure I'd be for getting you!"—Exchange.

#### Appropriate Christmas Presents.

"Have you decided on your presents for the boys yet, my dear?" asked Mr. Hendricks after the lads had left the breakfast table for school.
"Not quite all, But I have decided, William, that they shall all be given aomething useful. There is no use in wasting money on useless toys for them to break. And, by the way, we need a new rug for the parlor and a dozen tumblers, William."
"Ah, well, why not get the rug for George and give the tumblers to John!"

#### A Custom Well Forgotten.

Children used to be reminded in an Children used to be reminded in an uncomfortable manner that Dec. 28 was innocenta' day, for it was considered wholesome on that morning to give them a good cuffing or other form of punishment, presumably to remind them of the sins which were not committed by the innocents whom Herod ordered slain on that day. Fortunately every vestige of this fashion is now blotted out. swered a telephone call, and the conversation between the two women diffied to household matters.
"And have you put up much fruit this year, Mrs. Jones?" asked Mrs. Brown.
"Not very much so far," answered Mrs. Jones; "but," as her gaze wandered across the room where several pretty stenographers were working "I intend to can a few peaches very soon."
-Judge.

#### How the End Will Come.

The professor of natural phenomena had acquired a gasoline car. "The day is coming," he said to his class a few weeks later, "when the tire will sag and punctures pierce the inner tube and the casing blister—and then this old earth of ours will have a blowout that may shake the Dog Star from its kennel and hurl the Dipper to kingdom come!" A typesetter in a printing house became very adroit in explaining the large number of misprints for which he was responsible. Even when he changed his work and became a waiter in a restaurant, says the Berlin Echo, his skill did not forsake him. One day he had served a guest with a plate of soup and was turning away when he was called back sharply. This is an outrage," cried the indignant diner. "I find a needle in my soup! What does this mean!"
"Just a misprint, sir." explained the come!"

Senator William P. Frye, of Maine, and Senator Charles Curtis, of Kansas, had been having a long and somewhat heated discussion as to the authorship of some of the works attributed to

or some of the works attributed to Shakespeare.

"Well," said Senator Frye with finality, "when I die and go to heaven I will hunt Shakespeare and ask him about it."

"Suppose you do not happen to find Shakespeare there?" suggested Senator Cartie. Curtis, Then you can ask him," answered

the Maine Senator as he passed quickly out of hearing."—National Food Maga the Mair

Just a spring of mistletoe
Hanging in the hall;
Just a maiden standing there,
Pouting lips, coquettish sir.
Wifey, coming down the stair,
Catenes hubby--1???!!
That's all. - New York Times.

"'Tis more pleasant to give than to get," was once By a worthy philosopher said, Who never experienced the joy of the

Who at Christmas comes out shead.

#### Children Ory FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Make Poles of Class,

Near Frankfort, in Germany, there is a manufacturing plant which turns out glass poles for telephone and telegraph wires. In order to give them solidity and atrength there is a thick framework of woven wire in the glass. These poles are taking the place of the wooden ones in many sections of Germany.

It may be that in time all such telegraph and telephone poles throughout the world may be made of glass because there are so many advantages in them. In the first place, they will last practically for all time, except in cases of unusual accident, where they may be broken, as in railroad wrecks. They will last even longer than iron or steel, as weather has practically no effect upon them, nor can insects get into them, and destroy them.!

And in these days when wood is becoming more and more valuable it will be quite a saving of the precious wood to make such things of glass. Experiments are also under way for the manufacture of railroad ties of glass, in which wire netting is embedded in the glass.

Paving blocks are made of glass and

Paving blocks are made of glass and have proved to be a most valuable material for street surfaces, being fitted together in such a manner as to be water tight, no water running down between the blocks. There are, in Lyons, France, a number of streets paved with glass, and they have a better resistance than stones, and also are not such great conductors of heat as atone. These glass paving blocks are now said to be actually cheaper than the granted blocks.—Technical World.

#### Treacherous Memory.

The lawyers got a tarter when, in a recent trial in a southern city, they summoned to the stand an aged darky who had been an eyewitness of a fight that occurred between a number of per-

sons.
"Tell us what you know about this light," said counsel when old Mose had been placed upon the stand.
"Fight?" asked Mose, apparently fireatly surprised: "What fight?"

"You know very well what fight is meant," said counsel. "Tell us about it?"

it?"
"I don't know nothin' about no fight," insisted the witness, "When was it?"
"See here, Moses!" exclaimed the lawyer; "no trilling! The fight day before yesterday. You know all about it.

Tell us—"Oh, de fight day befo' yesterday," said Moso. "Well, auh, you see I'so slept since de day befo' yesterday, and I never kin rekollect anything after I'so been saiten."

heen asteep,"
And that was all they could get from him. Green Bag.

#### Where the Fly is Sacred.

The common housely is regarded in some parts of the world as a bringer of good luck. Some years ago a correspondent from Greenock wrote to Notes and Queries: "Among our deep sea fishermen there is a most comical idea that if a fly falls into the glass from which any one has been drinking, or is about to drink, it is considered a sure and true omen of good luck to the drinker and is always noticed as such by the company." But houseflies have the charm of rarity on the Dogger bank—London Spectator.

#### Almost Too Considerate.

A corporal was drilling a stupid quad, with whose drilling the colonel ad just found fault. The corporal squad, with whose drilling the colonel had just found fault. The corporal said: "I tell you fellows this much, if you don't do any better we shall drill all day, have field practice at night, bivouac afterwards, without fire, without cooking, without straw and with the temperature down at zero."

"Why don't you let it rain, too?" asked a voice from the ranks.

#### Significance of Holly,

Why holly at Christmas? The pagan Romans dedicated the holly to Saturn, whose festival was in December, around Christmas': The early Christians, to escape perseccution, decked their Christinas' Ine early christians, to eacape persecution, decked their homes with holly and other Saturalan emblems. The Romans sent their friends holly aprigs during the Saturnalia with wishes for their health and prosparity

#### Giving Him a Hint,

Young Author (engaging rooms)—You have several literary men boarding here, I believe?

Landlady—Yes, quite a number. 1

Landlady—Yes, quite a number. 1 like literary men "I am delighted to hear it!"
"Yes. You see, literary men never complain when I demand cash in sd-yance. They are used to it."—London Opinion.

#### A Coincidence.

"I'm afraid, George," said he ficu-

"Quita a coincidence," muttered George. "That's what Cinra said when I threw her over for you." The teacher was giving a test on the

value of foreign money in America. When it was little Harry's turn, she "Harry, how much is a guinea worth in this country?"

Harry smiled and answered. "A dol-lar and a half a day."—Lippincott's.

An Irishman heard that when one

sense is underdeveloped the other is overdeveloped. "I observe it, too," he said, "When one leg is shorter the other one is longer." A doctor examined a young lady and told her that her liver was not in good

order "I trust," replied the lady, "that my other liver is all right."

Mrs. Grabshaw—What's that you're blowing on your bugle, dear?
Bobbie—The call to arms, ma. Sister's young man has her under the mistleloe.

Christmas presents?
Marjorie—Perfectly. I received seventeen and I'm going to have only lifteen exchanged.

Madge-Were you pleased with your

The Brother-I planted a kiss on her check beneath the mistletoe.
The Sister-Raise anything?
The Brother-Yes; her father raised well-he was very angry.

"I told him he resembled his wife and he seemed very much flattered."
"Gee! I told his wife she resemblen him, and she won't speak to me."—Houston Post.

#### The Nother in-law in France.

It is enough to chill one's passion for newspapers to read the mother-in-law quips, as they are sad, sad jokes. A mother-in-law is not funny afterward; she is only funny beforehand. In France

she is only turny beforehand. In Franco where they do so many things neatly, this is understood. Listen!
Young Racul had gone down on his knees to riadame, the Widow Lemoine, and begged leave to marry himself with her daughter.
"But no! said the widow firmly, "It impressible!"

but not said the widow nimy. It is impossible!'
Desolated, Raoul burst into tears, 'Don't take it so hard, mon gossel' said she. 'The petite Yvonne is exquisite, she is ravishing, yet there are many others in the France. A little of petitorsel'. patience!"

"But, madame! my dear madame!" howled Racul, "It is you that I re-gret! '- Now York Tribune.

flaving a liobby in Alddle Age.

Busy middle age needs a hobby as a recreation, a diversion, a getting away from the atress and atrain of active mental or physical labor. A clerk in the municipal court in Chicago built the municipal court in Chicago built himself a little observatory and purchased a tolescope. The neighbors laughed and called it his cheese box. But the articles he wrote about his discoveries in the heavenly realms attracted the attention of learned attronomers, who began to ask, "Who is he?". And they were astonished at what he had accomplished with his meagor equipment. But what of that? What if no one had known of his little hobby? It would still have served its purpose in the broadening of his life and the preserving of his mental and physical energy. Farm and Fireside.

#### Sherlock Holmes, Jr.

"Hh!" exclaimed Sherlock Holmes,

"Ith!" exclaimed Sherlock Holmes, Jr.
"What have you deduced, Sherl?" asked Dr. Whatson.
"Do you see that house across the street?"
"Yes very plainly."
"The woman who lives there is out of town and her husband is having things all his own way."
"Do you know him?"
"No, I have never seen him. This is the first time I have over glanced at his house, and I know nothing of his domestic affairs except what I told you."
"How have you made this wonderful "How have you made this wonderful deduction?"

Don't you see that all the blinds are up, so that the sun can shine right into the place? - Chicago Record Herald.

#### . He Was Real Nasty.

A darky employed as an office boy came to work one morning with a face that looked as though it had been run through a meat-grinder.

"Hearry," demanded, his surprised employer, "what in the world happened to you?"

"Well, suh boss," explained Henry, "I got into a life argument las' night wif another nigger, and one thing led to another twell I up and hat at him. Well, suh, it seemed lak dat irritated him. He took and blacked both of mah years mighty nigh off, and split mah lip and knocked two of muh teef loose; and den he th'owed me down and stamped me in de stomach. Honest, boss, I never did got so sick of a nigger in mah life!" get so sick of a nigger in mah life!"

#### Hard to Understand Woman.

"O, you can't please a woman," he said, disgustedly; "its no use trying."
"What's happened now?"

"What's happened now?"
"I mot that pretty Miss Sweet in a
dark hallway ant kissed her. I didn't
think she'd mlnd, you know."
"And she did mind?"
"Well, she prelended to be very angry, so I thought I'd smooth things
down by telling her that it was all a
mistake; that I thought she was somebody else."

body else."
"And then?"
"Why, then she really was very an-

#### gry," The Perennial Complaint,

"Now, my dear," said Mr. Young-husband to the partner of his joys, who was about to start forth on Christmas shouping bent, "get presents for all the family-in-law and buy a nice jot of things for the boys, but don't spend more \$100. We must live within our in-come.

come.
"Why, George," replied the lady in an aggrieved tone, "you told me we had \$200 this month-you know you did."

#### And Mr. Younghusband only sighed. An Ancient Christmas Custom.

One of the oldest and for centuries one of the most popular of all Christmas usages is the singing of Christmas carols by parties of children or of young men and women, who go about from house to house for that purpose, being everywhere heartily welcomed and rewarded with money and Christmas good cheer. This custom is still largely observed in England, particularly in the country districts. country districts.

country districts.

Mix. Winshow 8 southing artitle has been used by militaus of mothers for their children while tendar. It disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crylicywith pain of childing feeth send at once and got a bolle of "Mrs. Winslow's Southing Sytup" for Onliters Technog. It will reil valle p or little sufferer immediately, Depend upon it, mothers, there is no mainthe atout 1. It cares Districts, regulately, Depend upon it, mothers, there is no mainthe atout 1. It cares Districts, regulately, because it is not mainthe atout 1. It cares Districts, regulately, because it is no mainthe atout 1. It cares Districts, regulately for excepting the sufficiency of the whole system. "Mrs. Winslow's Boothine Syrup" for children leathing is pleasant to the lattered in the United States. Unless well reversely the counts but leading to the sufficiency of the child by all denging throughout the world, the sure and safe for "Max. Winslead States in the Constitution of the Maxanteed under the Foothing States in the States and Drugs Act, June Sah, 1235.

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#### All Sorts.

This hashhouse slang I must abhor; it is a thing I hato. I asked for beans; the man yelled for "A thousand on a plate."—Kansan

City Journal. Willie - Paw, what is a pointed argu-

Paw One in which both sides re-fused to see the point, my son. - Cin-cinnati Exquirer.

"Was it a case of love at first sight?"
"I would hardly call it that. He did
not get his auto until a month after
they met."—Judge.

delphia Record.

Knicker-Demosthenes practiced oratory with a pebble in his mouth, Bocker--Well, you can talk to a girl pretty well with a solltaire on your tongue. -New York Sun.

ment)—They say plain girls are always religious. Now, I'm not at all religious. Mr. Fortnit (gallantly)—Yes but there are exceptions to all rules, you know.—Puck.

"I want to get some complexion powder for my wife, but I forget the name of the brand." "Does it look like the kind on my cheeks?" asked the pretty salesgirl. "It does," said the man. "And if I could taste it I would be perfectly sure."—Washington Herald.

'I just got a Christmas present from him this morning.

board.
"A horn isn't written at all," answered the little fellow. "It's blowed,"

--Exchange. ·

Wife There must have been some

"What do you think of Roosevelt, Amos?" asked the southern politician of an old darky. "'(Yell, sah, Itink, sah, Mr. Roasevelt do certainly recommend himself most highly, sah."—Woman's Homo Companion.

Uncouth Young Man. May I kiss Misa Jonesi

you, Miss Jones?
Miss Jones (indignantly) What do you mean, sir?
Y. M. (surprised) Don't you know whata kiss Is yet? Well, you are the funniest girl I ever saw!-Goo! Even-

"My husband," she said, "always

Mrs. Bagrox. Tell me, professor, will my daughter ever become a great planist?

It may be true that love is blind,
This fact brings no surprise;
But love should always bear in mind
That others have good eyes.

"The children of today hear none of the good old fairy tales," he muttered, "No," she replied, tarity, "but the married women are still listening to them."—Baltimore American.

Bix. Jones says he gives employment to a large number of mea.

Dix. So he does—other people's cellectors.

"Do you think worry makes a man used headed?"
"It's hard to say," replied the man who gives every question cautions consideration. "whether you got bald because you worry or you worry because you are getting bald."—Washington Star.

The dyspeptic sellom forgets what he cats, but enting dates won't always enable him to remember them. - I'nila-

"I chose my wife," said the vicar of Wakefied, "as she did her wedding gown, not for a fine, glossy surface, but for such qualities as would wear well."

"How about a phonograph?" asked the salesman. "We have --"
"Phonograph?" exclaimed the prospective customer. "Young man, I have a wife and four grown daughters at home," -- Exchange.

Lady - You can take an axe and get up an appelite for a little dinner. Hebo-Lady, what I was applyin' for was food; not physical culture.

, Miss Jaggers (angling for a compil-

Joe (who has just accepted a cigar from lko)—I suppose there are at least 10,000 brands of cigars altogether? lke—I should say so. Joe.—Just your luck to pick this one, ...-London Opinion.

mour tamay sound an animal, Bobby, what do you mean?"
"What do you mean?"
"Why, mother sa dear you know,"
"Yes, certainly!"
"And my baby sistor's mother's little, lamb, and I'm the kid, and dad's the, goat."—Chicago Record-Rerakt.

Dr. Probe-I guess that Poterby deem't intend to pay his bill this year Mrs. Probe-What makes you think

"How do you write horn?" asked the teacher of a small boy at the black-

nunishment for King Solomon.

Hubby. There was. He had a thousand mothers-in-law.—Life.

Young Wife. That pudding I have just made for you is a poem.
Hubby. And I sappose I'm to be the waste basket!—Pennsylvania Panch Howl.

burgh Post.

Teacher, I believe in the rod by way of developing the child. Johnny, I believe it is a natural way to make them smart.—Milwaukee Sen-

pianist?

Herr Vogleschmitzle. I gannet dell.

Mrs. Bagrox. But has she none of
the qualifications necessary for a good
musician?

Herr Vogelschmitzle. Achl Yah,
matam she has; two hands.—Puck.

"Yes, I lost my friend." "How was that?" "We agreed to be perfectly frank with each other." "Yes?" "Well, I got in my criticism first."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

CASTORIA

"It's funny, sin't it: that everybody in our family seeme kind of an ani-

"The critics gave my play a black eyo." "Yes, I remember your telling me there was a punch in it."

Noboly loves to do a fat man's wash,'

Contenument gives a crown where for-tune has denied it.---Ford.

"My grandfather flow his own pen-nant in the navy."
"Yah! My grandfather helped cap-ture one in a world's series."—Fitta-

any nuscand, "eno said," "siwaya wants me to look my best, no matter what the cost."
"Well," her friend replied, "one can hardly blame him for feeling as he does,"—Chicago Record-Herald.

A mirror and a camera are the two things in this decellful world that un-flinchingly tell the truth.

"My wife paid me a fine compliment this morning!" Uniumphantly stated skimpy little Mr. Hennyjeck. "Sha said I was almost as big a fool as her first husband!"—Judge.

Christmas by any other name Would pinch your salary just the same.

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Rhode Island Chronology, from notes of John Barber, Esq. Taken from manuscript of Dr. Henry E. Turner, now in possession of the Newport Historical Society.

1776. Babcock, Col. Henry, makes Newport Harbour too hot for the British Vessels, and they rotreat with loss of a prize (he died Oct. 6; 1800, ag. 65 yrs.)

1776. British Fleet, under Sir Peter Parker, consisting by 70 sail of fifen of war and transports, having on board 8000 English and Hessians under comband of Gen. Chitcop, came in on the lat. Dec'r and on the 8th. landed the troops at Newbort.

1776. Bradford, William, Deputy Governor, also 1777.

1777. Burgoyliv, Gen., surrenders to Gen. Gates Uctober.

1777. Barton's party included Major Adams of Train of Artillery, Capt. Samuel Phillips, Lieut. Potter, Lieut. Bnbcock, Ensigns Stanton and Willcocks.

Samuel Phillips, Lieut. Potter, Lieut. Babcock, Ensigns Stanton and Will-cocks, 1778. Bowen. Jabez, Lt. Govr.; also 1779; also 1781 to 1785. 1779. Oct. 29. British forces evacuate Rhode Island. 1780. Nov. 29. British forces evacuate Rhode Island. 1780. Nov. 29. British forces evacuate Rhode Island. 1780. Nov. 29. Barker Giles, (Middletown) fell off the tongue of his cart and was killed. (Bad liquor.) 1781. May. Barras Admiral De, arrived at Newport and took command of the French Fleet. 1782 Balfour. Col. Andrew, formerly of Newport, died at Randolph Co., N. C. (killed by Tories, in March.) 1783. Babcock. Hon. Joshua, formerly of Newport, died at Westerly, Jan. 1, ng. 76, Patriot, Magistrate and Physleian. 1783. Bennett. Col. Job, Judge C. C. P. etc., died Aug. 22, ag. 67. 1784. Baptist Church in Providence received a bell, 2500 lbs., and a clock, from London. Oct. 4. 1784. Bull. Capt. Wm. of Newport, died at Charleston, S. C., nged 44 yrs., March 16. An eccentric character. 1785. Brown. Hon. Joseph brother of John, Nicholas and Moses of Providence, Professor of Exper. Phil. Prov.

ter.

1785. Brown. Hon. Joseph, brother of John, Nicholas and Moses of Providence, Professor of Exper. Phil. Prov. College, etc. died Dec. 3d. of apoplexy, ag. 52 ys.

1789. Bowler. Metcalf, died in Providence, in Sept. at an advanced age. He married May 3, 1750, Ann Fairchild, of Newport.

1790. Bourne, Benj'n Representative to Congress.

1791. Briggs. Rev. John, or d Pastor, Congregational Church, Tiverton, Dec. 27.

1791. Brown, Nicholas, Esq., a mer-chant in Providence, and grandfather of John Carter Brown, died. Sept. ag. 62

yrs 1792. Bridge, Howland's Ferry Co.

1792. Bridge, Howland's Ferry Co. incorporated.
1792. Bradford Hon. Wm. of Bristol, U. S. Senator, vice Jos. Stanton.
1792. Brown. Beriah, Sheriff, Co. Washington, many years. Died, July, at North Kingstown.
1792. Badger. Rev. Moses, Episc. Ch. Providence, died Sept., ag 50 yrs.
1794. Bowne. Benj. and Francis Malbons, elected members of Congress over Joseph Stanton and Peleg Arnold.
1791. Barker. Peleg Sr., died Newport, March, aged 78 yrs.
1795. Bank of R. I., Newport, incorporated in October.
1795. Bridge, Howland's Ferry, carried away, Jan. 17.
1796. Breese, Major John, British Army, made vice Consul for Rhode Island.

1796: Beer Oliver C., a Seaman from Newport, returned home in July, having been a captive for four years, in Marquesas. 1796. Bridge rebuilt. Finished in

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1997. Block Island boat capsized, and four men drowned, Feb. 11.
11997. Aug. 18, Brindley's Ropewalk partly burned down.
11998. Burrill. James

1798. Burrill. James Jr., Attorney General. To be continued.

Querles.

7559. HOWLAND, HARLOW, RICKARD Who were the parents of the following:

i. Howland Mary—, wife of Samuel Howland, of Duxbury and Freetown. He died 1715-16.

18 a lied 1/10-1.

2. Harlow, Hannah—second wife
Samuel Harlow, He was born Plymouth, 1652.

3. Rickard, Mary, wife of Giles (4)
Rickard (Josiah 3, Giles 2). He was
born 1700.—W. D. H.

7560. WILLIAMS-Was Richard Wil-Hams of Taunton a relative of Nathaniel Williams, born 1769, died 1822 of Taunwho married Abathea Dean?-L.

7561. DENNIS, BATCHELOR-Marrah (or Mary) Dennis of Salem married John (2) Batchelor July 12, 1661. Should like to know the name of her parents.—F. C. H.

7563. WOODBURY -Ancestry wanted with dates of Mary Woodbury of Salem or North Beverly, who married Israel Woodbury, Nov. 1, 1716. Senwood.

7565. HALL-Can anyone tell me the

name of the father of Samuel Hall, born in Worthington, Mass., 1780? - E. H. W. C.

7506. SPRAGUE, TEFFT-Wanted ancestry of James Sprague, who married John Tefft, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Jencks), about 1098, in South Kingstown, R. I. What was the date of marriage of John and Joanna?—H. L. C. N. Y.

7507. Town, Kenney-Ephraim Tower (or Town) of Oxford, Mass, married on Dec. 31, 1719, at Woodstock, Conn., Sarah Kenney. Will someons please give ancestry of Sarah Kenney? -T. W. II,

7568. SMITH, NICHOLS -Can anyone give us the parentage and carry homes of Jesse Smith, born 1758, and of Susanna Nichols, born 1764 or 667 They were married in Washington, Berkshire County, Mass., 1786.—M. E. W. C.

ANSWERS.

7552. Graus-The Pirates Own Book, published in Portland, by Francis Blake, 1885, gives an account of Charles Gibbs, from which the following Items are taken.

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Charles Gibbs was born in the state of Rhode Island, in 1734; his parents and connexions were of the first respectability.

When about lifteen years of age, feeling a great inclination to roam, and like too many reflecting youths of that age, a great fondness for the sea, in opposition to the friendly counsel of his parents, privately left them, and entered on board the United States Sloop of War, Horitet, and was in the action when she captured the British sloop-of War, Peacock, off the coast of Pernambuco. Upon the return of the Hornatto the United States, her brave commander, Capt. Lawrence, was promoted for his gallantry to the command of the unfortunate Chesapeake, and to which he was followed by young Gibbs, who took a very distinguished part in the engagement with the Shannon; which resulted in the death of Lawrence and the capture of the Chesapeake. After the engagement with the Shannon; which resulted in the death of Lawrence and the capture of the Chesapeake. After the engagement of the Crew a prisoner of war, and as such was confined in Dartmoor prison until exchanged.

He returned to Boston, and opened a grocery in Ann street, but his new business proved unsuccessful, and he abandoned it for the sea. While on a cruison board a Buenes Ayrean privateer, a quarrel between officers and crew in regard to the division of prize money, led to a mutiny, and the mutineers took possession of the vessel and sailed to the West Indies, and being determined to win their fortunes at any cost, they captured more than twenty vessels and murdered nearly four hundred human beings. This was the beginning of Gibbs' career of piracey. Unfortunately, the copy of the Pirates Own Book, to which I have access, lacks a number of pages, which evidently contained the description of his last days, and the date and place of his execution. Another copy would probably help. E. M. T.

#### MIDDLETOWN,

" (From our Regular Correspondent.) The Paradiso Club declared a recess of two weeks preceding Christmas and will hold no meetings until December 31, when Mrs. Win. C. Hubbell, the expression, will present as the Wednesday afternoon program, "Stories of New Years Days." Mrs. N. B. A. Champlin will be the hostess.

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Last week's meeting of the Oliphant Club was held with Mirs. Wm. H. Sisson. Quotations from the authors were followed by an unusually interesting and instructive collection of Current Events selected by the hostess who also presented a program of Christmas poems. Coffee and cake were served. The Club observes this week its 17th anniversary at the home of Mrs. Edward Almy. This event is annually observed by a special program arranged for Whittier's birthday on which day the club was organized by the late Mrs. James R. Chase. The committee comprises Mrs. Almy, Mrs. Elbert A. Sisson, and Mrs. Abram Chase.

Mr. and Mrs Alfred Hazard, who cele-

son, and Mrs. Abram Chase.

Mr. and Mrs Alfred Hazard, who celebrated informally on Friday last, their 50th wedding anniversary, were pleasiantly surprised late in the afternoon by a call from the members of St Columba's Guild, who had been spending the afternoon at the near by Berkeley Parish House. Among the gifts was a silver double heart, pin for Mrs. Hazard and a "golden cake." Numerous other gifts were received, also a post card shower. Mr. and Mrs. Hazard's son, Mr. Harry Hazard, and two children spent the day at the Hazard Homestead.

The "500 Club" held its first meeting of the season with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Peckham last week. The ladies' prize was won by Miss Nellie R. Peckham, and the gentlemen's prize by Mr. Wm. Truman Peckham. An eleborate collation was served. tion was served.

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The Venerable R. P. Spurr, archedeacn at Middleborough, W. Va., whe has been chaplain at the Moundaville state penitentiary for 20 years, gave a most stirring account of his work among the poor whites of the south at the morning service Sunday at the Berkeley Memorial Chapel, speaking before a large congregation. He was guest of Mrs. Eugene Sturtevant. In the evening, at the Berkeley Parish House, Mr. Philip Eaton, a master at St. George's School, gave an illustrated lecture upon the same subject. During the vacation at the School the Sunday evening lectures will be omitted.

Bardelions still continue in blossom

Dandelions still continue in blossom and a flowering quince is reported at Valley Road in bloom.

Mrs. Charles H. Ward has been confined to her home on Turner's Road since Friday of last week and is being cared for by Mrs. Ida Hathaway.

Wild cherry trees, the breeding places of the tent caterpillars, are being cut down by many farmers at the East

It was voted at the monthly meeting of the School Committee Tuesday evening to close the schools on Friday for a weeks Christmas vacation so two weeks Christmas vacation so that the Christmas exercises will be held on this date instead of on Tuesday next. Superintendent Champlin resigned the position which he has held for a great many years as truant officer and this office will be filled at the next meeting. Mrs. E. A. Peckham was again re-appointed to take the school census.

The annual meeting of Newport The annual meeting of Newport County Pomona Grange was held Tuesday at Fair Hali, Portsmouth Grange acting as hostess and serving dinner at noon. The following officers, were elected for 1914 15; Worthy Master itrs. Helen A. Wilcox of Tiverton; Overseer, Mr. George H. Simmons of Little Compton; Lecturer, Mrs. Arthur Shorman of Portsmouth; Steward, Mr.

# XMAS TIME

### CHILDREN'S TIME.

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The Christmas tree festival of the Berkeley Memorial Chapel will take place Tuesday evening at the Herkeley Parish House, that at the Methodist Church Wednesday evening, and that of Holy Cross and St. Mary's parishes on Saturday p. m. Dec. 27, at Holy Cross Guild House.

The Bull storehouse, or "the old laundry" on the Hillside farm land at the corner of Valley road and Green End avenue, was burned to the ground at about three o'clock last Sunday morning. It was evident that it was of incendiary origin. Mr. Ernest Weston of Newport had purchased the building this fall and it was being taken down for the lumber which it contained. The roof and some of the interior had been removed so that it was practically roof and some of the interior had been removed so that it was practically empty. The struc ure was some 35 by 80 feet and was three stories high. A clapboard from the burning building has been retained by one of the neighbors. Upon it is written "Saluel Spooner, 1864," supposedly the date of its erection. It formerly occupied a site on the outhside of the road and was moved across to the north side in 1875. Had it not been for the efforts of James Ritchie and Charles Feltham, it is probable that the Witherbee school would have burn-

ed. As it was it caught fire several times on the roof. The change of wind soon after the fire started saved the near-by cottages from immediate dan-ger. The fire in the building was too far underway when discovered to be put out and all that could be done was to assist in carrying water across the road to save the school house. The fire was still smouldering at 5 p. m.

The Christmas rush at the Postoffice gives promise of swamping the whole force before the holiday is past. This is the first Christmas that the parcel post law has been in effect and nobody dares to prophesy what the result will be. Every day the size of the incoming and outgoing mails are increasing and the force has now about all it can swing to. If there comes a sudden jump of sevcral times the present volume of business, as is not impossible, it would surely mean trouble in large bunches for the postoffice people.

There was a sudden drop in the temperature Thursday night, thermometers registering only a little above 20 degrees Friday morning. Thursday evening a high wind sprang up suddenly and sent the mercury shivering down the tube very rapidly.

James W. G. Walker has asked the Superior Court to grant him custody of his children over the Christmas holidays, and a hearing will be held in Providence to day. He wishes them to spend Christmas with his mother in

Scott-I'm afraid that youngster of mine is rather a dult boy.

Mott—If you want to make him shine make a bootblack of him.

TOWN OF NEW SHOREHAM.

### Notice of Application Liquor Licenses.

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and place all persons objecting to the greating of the above application may be itental,
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By order of the Town Council of New Shoreham.

EDWARD P. OHAMPLIN.

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Probate Court of the City of Newport December (Sta, 1913.)

December 18to, 1818.

Estate of Mary C. Denman,

CHARLESE C.LLARKE, Giardian of the person and estatu of Hary C. Denman, of full age, of said Newport, presents his first account with the estate of libeauth ward, for allowance, and ting arms is received and relevance in the high size of january next, at ten of o ock a. m., at the Provide Court Room, in said Newport, for consideration, mat it so received that notice thereof oc published for fourteen days, once a week, in the Newport Meteury.

DUNDAN A.HAZARD:

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GUARDIAN'S NOTICE.

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New port, December 11th, 1913.

THE undersigned hereby gives notice that she has been appolated by the Frobate Court of the City of Newport, Guardian of the person and estate of JOHN M, MANN-ING, of full age, of said Newport, and has given bond according to law.

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Probato Court of the Oily of Newport | December 1st, 1913 }

Estate of Richard J. Sharkey.

MICHAEL DRISCULLIA Administrator of the estate of Richard J. Sharkey, of raid. Newport dreated, Proposed for administrator, which account contains a credit of like asks of real estate of said, deceased, for allowance, which account contains a credit of like asks of real estate and the acute to received, and referred to the Twonty second day of December instant atten o'clock, A. I., at the Probato Court Room, in said Newport, for consideration, and it is ordered limit to like the could be published for fourteen days, once a week, in the Newport Mercury.

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"I am an empl ye."

"Yes, but wh tid you do?"

"Well, I am i her and the others are tellers. Its like this: When the guv nor wants a nething done he tells the cashier, and the cashier tells the bookkeeper, all the bookkeeper tells the assistant bescapper, and the sistant bookeeper, and the sistant bookeeper, and the sistant bookeeper, and the sistant bookeeper tells the different tells the "And what tree!"

"And what tree!"

"Well, haven t anybody to tell, so I have to do it."

have to do it.